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# Kohl's reign is over

## Schröder sweeps to victory in German elections



Ian Traynor in Bonn

**G**ERMANY and Europe entered a new era last night when the Social Democrat, Gerhard Schröder, defeated Helmut Kohl as German Chancellor after 16 years in power. It was the first time since the war that German voters have removed an incumbent chancellor.

By German standards, it was a landslide victory for the country's biggest and oldest political party. Mr Schröder's Social Democrats (SPD) took around 41 per cent of the vote, some 6 points ahead of Mr Kohl's Christian Democrats (CDU) and its Bavarian sister party, the Christian Social Union, according to early projections based on exit polls last night.

"It's a difficult evening for me," conceded Mr Kohl as the scale of the Schröder victory became clear. He immediately announced he was surrendering the chairmanship of his party, which he has led for 26 years.

With slightly more than 35 per cent, the CDU slumped to its worst post-war performance, while the SPD's projected vote was its best showing since 1989.

In his first post-poll remarks, the 54-year-old victor paid tribute to the retiring chancellor and pledged that the priority of the new government would be to tackle unemployment of more than 4 million, the single biggest factor in Mr Kohl's defeat.

Mr Schröder also stressed that his administration would pursue "continuity in foreign policy".

"It is a dramatic defeat for the Kohl government," said Kerstin Müller, deputy leader of the environmentalist Greens. "The Kohl era is over."

The margin of the Schröder victory was considerably larger than predicted by the opinion polls on the eve of the election and represented a

greater than expected triumph for the new chancellor, until now the prime minister of his native northern state of Lower Saxony.

It remained unclear last night whether Mr Schröder would try to form a left-of-centre coalition government which would bring the Greens into government in Bonn for the first time. Alternatively, he could offer a centrist "Grand Coalition" to the post-Kohl CDU, with the latter as the junior partner in a government which would command almost 80 per cent of the new parliament.

Mr Schröder and the SPD chairman, Oskar Lafontaine, said they would consider the new balance of forces overnight before deciding on their coalition options. Wolfgang Schäuble, Mr Kohl's number two and the favourite to take over the leadership of the CDU, said it was up to the election winner to make the first moves on a possible coalition.

"It's a clear defeat and it hurts," said Mr Schäuble. "The CDU is in for a difficult time. It's the end of the era of Helmut Kohl."

The result made Mr Schröder Germany's third SPD chancellor, following Willy Brandt and Helmut Schmidt, and also confirmed the ascendancy of left-of-centre parties across Europe, putting Germany alongside Britain, France, Italy, the Netherlands, and most of Scandinavia.

"Germany will not become a different republic through this election," Mr Schröder said.

Amid scenes of jubilation at the SPD headquarters in Bonn, the new chancellor sounded sober and statesman-like and declined to wax triumphalist. "I want to declare my respect for Helmut Kohl. He was a very difficult opponent. He and I fought a fair election."

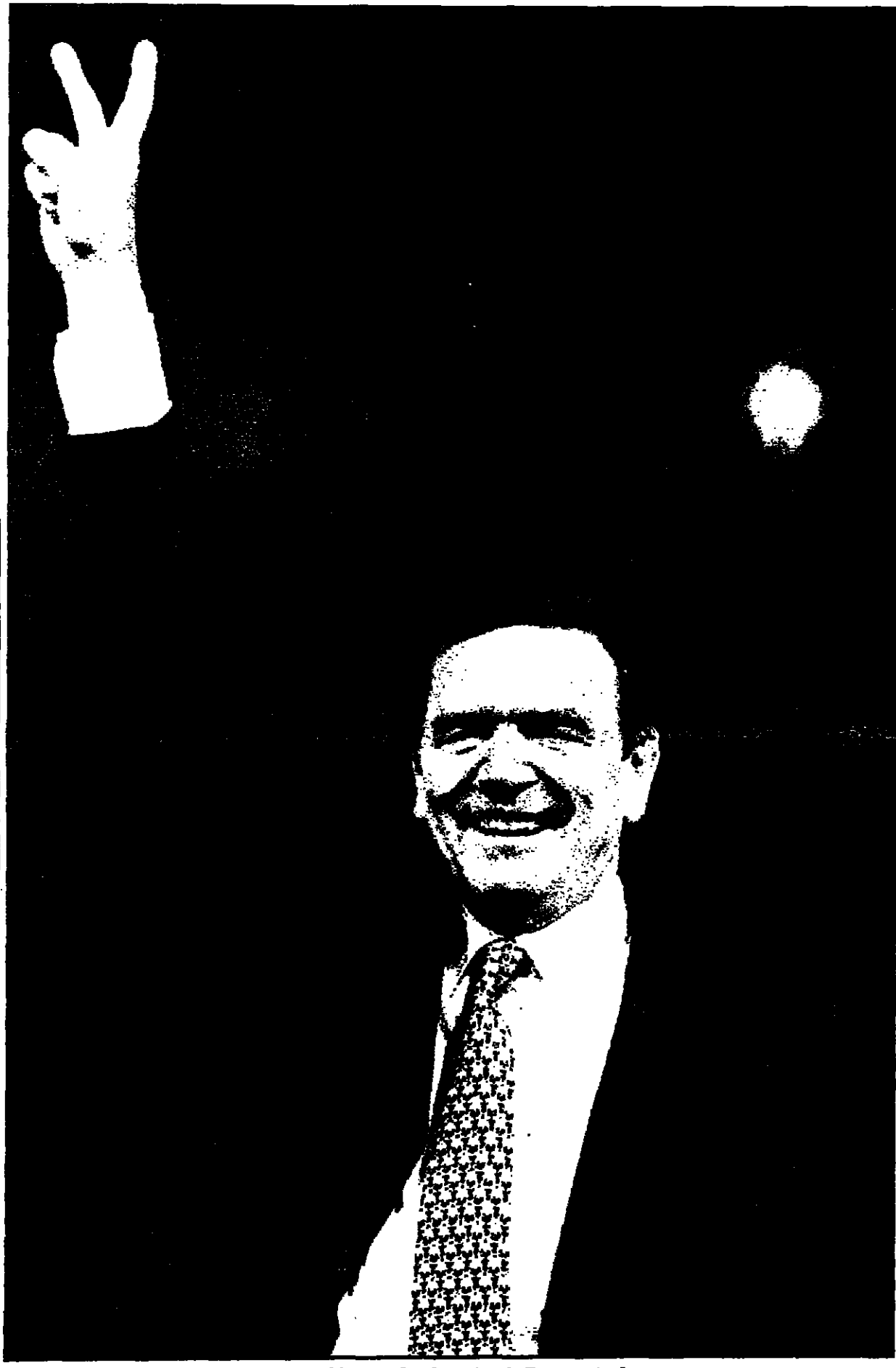
"I stand for economic stability and above all for foreign policy continuity," Mr Schröder went on. "My most important aim is to fight against the scourge of mass unemployment."

Reading between the lines of his initial remarks, Mr Schröder sounded keener on a "Grand Coalition" with the CDU than a leftist deal with the Greens.

Mr Schröder ascribed the SPD triumph to the party selecting the right candidate, having the right manifesto, and performing in a much more disciplined way than it has done for years.

"The voters want a fresh start," said Mr Lafontaine, who will have a crucial say in the Schröder-led government.

"We've worked for this victory for three years. The party was disciplined as never before."



Gerhard Schröder gives the victory sign at his party headquarters in Bonn yesterday

PHOTOGRAPH: ANJA NIEDERHOLZ

## After 16 years, a place in history



Kohl votes in his home town of Ludwigshafen yesterday

**W**ITH his wife, Hannelore, by his side, and a clutch of outgoing cabinet ministers congratulating around his giant figure, a chastened and gracious Helmut Kohl last night took his leave of German, European, and world politics, writes Ian Traynor.

A hush settled over Bonn's Konrad Adenauer House, the national headquarters of Mr Kohl's Christian Democratic Union, as the leader prepared to give his valedictory message to the party faithful. Then before Mr Kohl could speak, the applause broke out and went on for several minutes.

Mr Kohl smiled reflectively as he addressed stunned party workers. "This is a difficult evening for me," he began. "This

defeat is beyond even discussing and I will accept the consequences myself."

Having won four federal elections in a row and served for 16 years, Mr Kohl has claimed his place in the history books.

"We achieved a huge amount for our country," Mr Kohl said. "German unification and European unity."

"Sixteen years was a long and a good time," said Norbert Blum, Mr Kohl's labour minister and the only minister in every cabinet since October 1 1982. "I'm proud to have been with Helmut Kohl for 16 years. But you have to be able to let go."

Mr Blum was close to tears. Wolfgang Schäuble, Mr Kohl's anointed successor, by contrast, was sober

and perhaps impatient. Having waited a long time to shine, Mr Schäuble briskly fixed on the future.

Peter Hintze, the CDU general-secretary, called Mr Kohl the "greatest federal chancellor" in German history.

For the man who seized the opportunity to unify Germany when the Berlin Wall crumbled in 1989, who then pushed European integration as far and as fast as he could, and who did more than any other individual to launch the single European currency, Mr Hintze's verdict is perhaps justified.

At the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin, crowds gathered to mourn or celebrate. "I'm really surprised at the result," said one student in her 20s, "but it's about time things changed."



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# Masterstroke or blunder? Puzzle for art experts as Archer plans huge Warhol sale

Former Tory deputy chairman could raise £25 million with 370-work collection – or flood the market, reports Rory Carroll

ART dealers were shocked and puzzled last night after Lord Archer revealed he had quietly built up one of the world's biggest Andy Warhol collections – and planned a sell-off next month which could raise £25 million.

An exquisitely timed masterstroke which taps end-of-the-century emotionalism before recession plunges prices into freefall, said some. A stupendous blunder which will cost the Tory grandee millions by flooding the market and instantly annihilating the current Warhol chic, said others.

Lord Archer remained coy, commenting only to swat suggestions that his novels must be selling poorly. "No, I'm down to my last £100 million."

The 43 oils and 328 acrylics, including images of Marilyn Monroe, Chairman Mao and Campbell's soup tins, will be exhibited in batches of 65 at a Bruton Street gallery from October 20.

Last May's £10.5 million sale of Warhol's Orange Marilyn at Sotheby's in New York

is believed to have convinced Lord Archer that the market, which oscillates between viewing Warhol as a genius or a fraud, was ripe.

Thomas Sokolowski, director of the Andy Warhol Museum in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, said the announcement was bizarre.

"It's a matter of supply and demand. Warhol is doing well right now but this collection is huge, absolutely huge. I'd be shocked to think that even big institutions on Madison Avenue would have as many."

"It makes sense to parse the collection out. Do it over a couple of years in different countries."

Lower profile works for which buyers would have paid premium prices will be spurned because of the glut, said Mr Sokolowski. He predicted that images of icons such as Monroe could fetch £200,000. At the bottom end prices will hover at around £500.

Equally astonished that the former deputy chairman of the Tory party had secretly turned himself into a major league "Warholian", London

dealers hailed the sale as a shrewd cashing-in on Britain's youth culture zeitgeist.

Andrew Lamont, a gallery owner and chairman of the fine arts committee of the Fine Arts and Trade Guild, said Lord Archer had tuned into a millennial spiritualism that valued pop art's energy.

"In the 90s we're a much more caring and emotionally sensitive society. The younger generation of clubbers have brought back a fashion for colour and fun and joy."

"But in the 80s everybody wore black, there was a coolness, things were disciplined, regimented. Money was the God."

By starting to collect Warhols seven years ago, when the legacy of that coolness chilled the value of his work, Lord Archer was thinking ahead, said Mr Lamont.

"He's judged it well. With the fashion for retro it seems that if ever he's going to sell that collection now is a good time."

"He's expecting people to pay at the top of the artist's price. Also he's got in ahead of the recession, and art usually suffers the quickest."

Lord Archer employed five researchers to trawl the world in pursuit of works by Warhol, who died in 1987. The collection includes 10 Marylins, 10 Maos, 10 Campbell's soups, three Lenins, four Ronald Reagans and images of Mick Jagger, Donald Duck and Mickey Mouse.

Niall Fairhead, an independent London dealer, said that in recent weeks he and his associates had done a brisk trade in Warhols on the continent and in Hong Kong.

"People do want them. In the past 18 months (demand) has really escalated, though Archer would probably have got an even better price if he had done this six months ago. There's a lot of talk about recession."

Next month's exhibition will also include 88 signed Hockney prints from the artist's private collection.

Dealers predicted most of the collection would be hoovered up by bullish Americans, but Mr Sokolowski urged Lord Archer not to get his hopes up.

"Even institutions aren't able to pay stratospheric prices. For that you need individuals with a fetishistic need to own a particular painting. So all I can say is 'Good luck Jeffrey'."



Andy Warhol's Shot Red Marilyn. Lord Archer has 10 Warhol Marylins in his collection of 42 oils and 328 acrylics



Lord Archer at home. He could raise £25 million with the sale of his Warhol collection

PHOTOGRAPH BY BRENDAN BEIRNE

## Famous for £25 million

Lord Archer's collection of Warhols includes:

10 Marylins

10 Maos

10 Campbell's soup tins

4 Ronald Reagans  
3 Lenins  
Plus images of Mick Jagger, Donald Duck and Mickey Mouse

## Beast foils police cathunt

Sue Quinn

IT was a drama lifted straight from the plot of the Hollywood film. The Fugitive. Police used heat-seeking equipment and warned residents through loudhailers to lock themselves indoors following sightings of a mystery feline bigger than an Alsatian on the loose on the edge of London.

The extraordinary cathunt covering 40 square miles around Barnet, South Mumps and Potters Bar in south Hertfordshire began after a member of the public reported seeing a puma-like animal in a

populated residential area on Friday afternoon.

Dozens of armed officers were teamed up with RSPCA officials and police helicopters using heat-seeking equipment were drafted into the search for the elusive animal.

Safety concerns were outweighed by the puzzle of how the freshly dubbed "Beast of Barnet" – thought to be either a puma, cougar or American mountain lion – had come to be wandering a London suburb. There have been similar sightings in the past eight years, and police believe the same animal could be involved.

Residents were warned to lock their doors and windows and police used loudhailers to order them to stay indoors.

Two officers involved in the search who spotted the animal described it as "a large brown cat with a very large rope like tail which had a black ring on the end of it. It was a very large brown cat, bigger than an Alsatian."

Despite appeals for the public to leave the cat alone if spotted and to call 999 immediately, the animal was not described as ferocious. Police who got within 50 yards said it got up, stretched itself and walked away.

The animal was still at large last night, said Chief Superintendent Huw Thornton.

"It is like looking for a needle in a haystack."

"But we have had no reports of a large animal attacking people and no reports of livestock being killed, and this is not something which should panic people."

Inspector John Storey of the RSPCA said: "It is going to be feeding on rabbits, small game and possibly muntjac deer. There is an abundance of food for it and it's going to have no problem surviving."

He said it was unlikely to attack humans or household pets, but warned: "If it is hungry enough it will eat anything."

## Labour left humiliates leadership

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the vote is a sharp reminder to Millbank and Downing St that the ordinary membership cannot be taken for granted. When Mr Blair took an unprecedented Question and Answer in immediately afterwards he took the issue head-on – but made no concessions.

Invoking Neil Kinnock and John Smith's efforts to reform Labour, he said he wanted an "unbroken line of accountability" linking the cabinet to MPs, the party and the country. "You're not the Government's audience. You're part of the show." They must

all go out and sell the government's achievements, Mr Blair insisted.

On policy, including tax cuts and electoral reform, he stood his ground. On how the party conducts itself in government, he lectured his audience politely but firmly. Unlike in the old days, he was heard politely too.

Invoking "one of the great myths of the Labour movement", that leftwing criticism would produce a leftwing government, he said that in reality such criticism produced "a very rightwing government".

To loud applause he declared: "All I can say to you, in the nicest possible way, is we have been there, we've done that. We've got the tee-shirt and we are not going back again."

In the audience was Mr Kinnock, who this month accused Mr Seddon of being "duped" by the hard left he fought in the 1980s.

Among other NEC results announced yesterday, two local government moderates, Londoner Sally Powell, and Sir Jeremy Beecham, former "Mr Newcastle", were elected. Three ministers, nominated by the Government under the new system,

were: Mo Mowlam, Hilary Armstrong, the local government minister, and Ian McCartney, the industry minister.

When MPs' choice of three NEC members, chosen by MPs and MEPs, is announced this week, Dennis Skinner is expected to be one of the winners alongside Clive Soley, chairman of the PLP. Mr Livingston and Diane Abbott will not survive.

Mr Skinner's re-election, at 58, would boost the net left strength on the NEC to five – two more than at present. But the NEC's wider membership will total 50, not 28.



Betty Carter's voice could negotiate most of the nuances and ambiguities lying between the sounds of a coaxing whisper and a gunshot. She was small, alert, funny, with shrewd and mobile features, and she occupied a stage as if it was her living room, or more accurately, her bedroom.

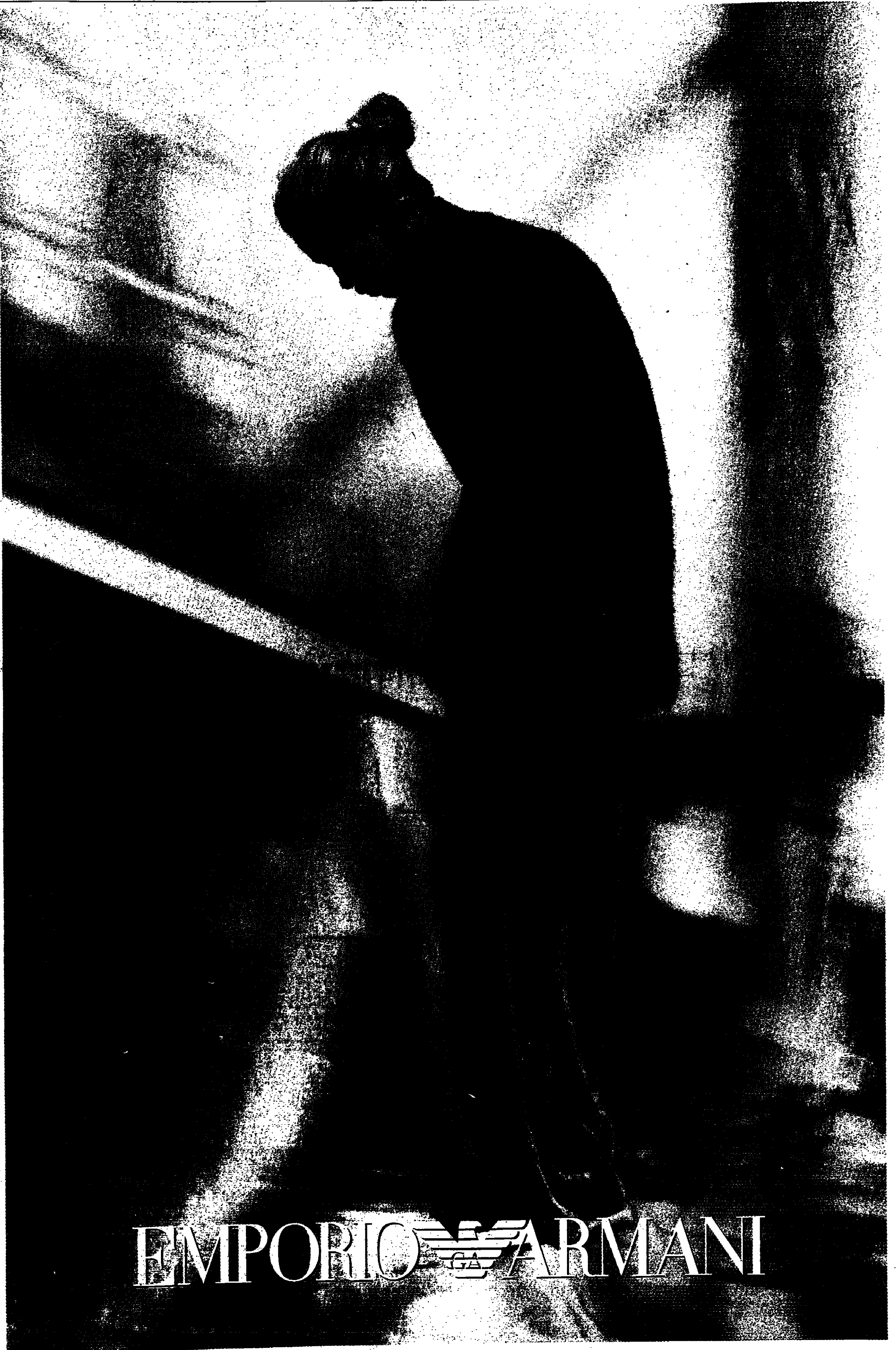
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The Guardian today extends its regular opinion polling with a detailed look at two marginal constituencies to assess the Blair revolution after 16 months. Using a system of so-called 'qualitative polling' — the focus groups so beloved by the main parties — our pollsters, ICM, selected four groups for intensive question and answer sessions spread over seven hours in Birmingham Northfield and Enfield Southgate. This detailed polling is a development of our ground-breaking initiative during last year's general election campaign — and during the



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subsequent Scottish and Welsh devolution referendums — when we regularly tracked public opinion in key constituencies using focus groups.

# Strong Blair escapes voters' blame

Peter Hetherington

**N**EW LABOUR is viewed increasingly as a timid, centre-right political force which, so far, has changed little of substance over the past 16 months, according to research for the Guardian in two key marginals on the eve of the Blackpool conference. But while many appear disappointed with the Government's performance and want action on key commitments, invariably they are impressed with what they regard as the strong, Thatcherite-style of Tony Blair.

Yet paradoxically, there is lingering mistrust over whether the Prime Minister's image of honesty and sincerity will make a real difference and force a clean policy break with the Tory years.

People seem to see little change apart from policies with a "better gloss and more PR and spin", said Philip, a young, former Tory supporter in north London who backed Blair last year. "He's Margaret Thatcher with a very young face," Paul, another young, first-time Labour voter said. "I wouldn't say they've broken their promises. It's just that they haven't

losses is outside his Government's control.

But older Labour voters have clearly lost faith in a party which has repositioned itself on the centre-right. "They just do not seem to be interested in their real supporters," lamented Gill in Northfield. "I'm a single parent with a daughter going through university and we get no help whatsoever."

"I don't trust Blair," added Dave. "I'm disappointed. There are no jobs, even when you are qualified. I'm 48, I have 14 City and Guilds [qualifications], and I can't get a job, so I have to work for myself. He's not looking after his own people."

But these critics, who are probably representative of other, disillusioned Labour traditionalists in old industrial areas, have "nowhere else to go". Protest could be confined to abstention. Overall, Mr Blair is widely regarded as charismatic, accessible, and "in touch with ordinary people".

Yet some of our respondents who held him up as a strong leader still thought he was "bland" and "non-committal" on many important issues. "When he was elected I thought it would be quite good... a right-of-centre Labour party [but] I regard him as more of a charlatan," said Philip, a former Tory voter. Tony, a young convert to New Labour, added: "He said things people wanted to hear but he hasn't backed them up to any great extent."

"I'm very disappointed really," chipped in Paul, a third convert. "I know things don't change overnight but we are... handing over interest rate policy [to the Bank of England monetary committee]." He has first-hand experience of a failure to deliver, having had two NHS operations cancelled, but he still "admires" Mr Blair.

Another convert, Lloyd, said the Prime Minister had not been put to the test. "It will be interesting to see how he handles a recession." He gave Blair "slightly more pluses than minuses".

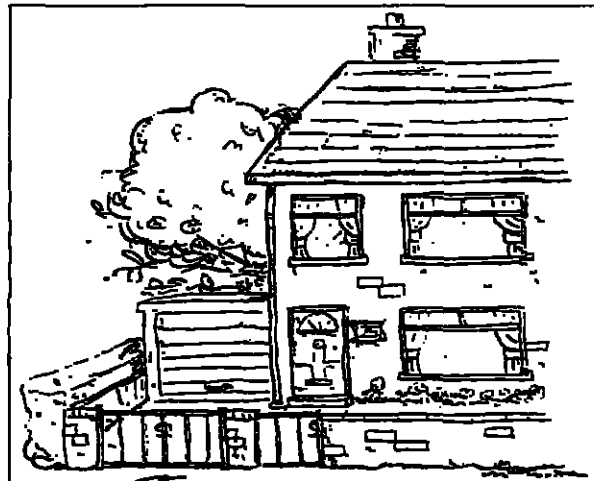
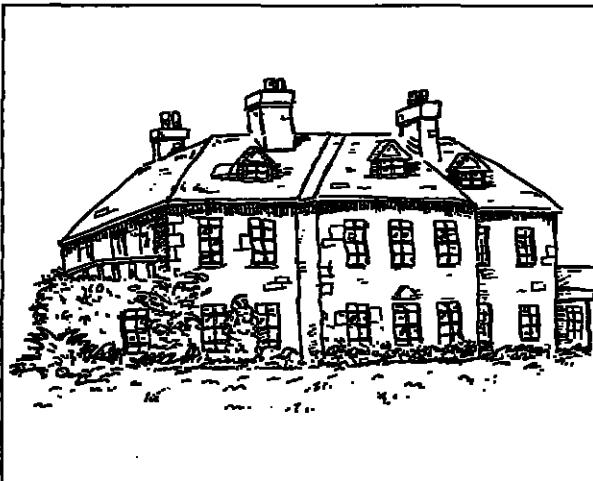
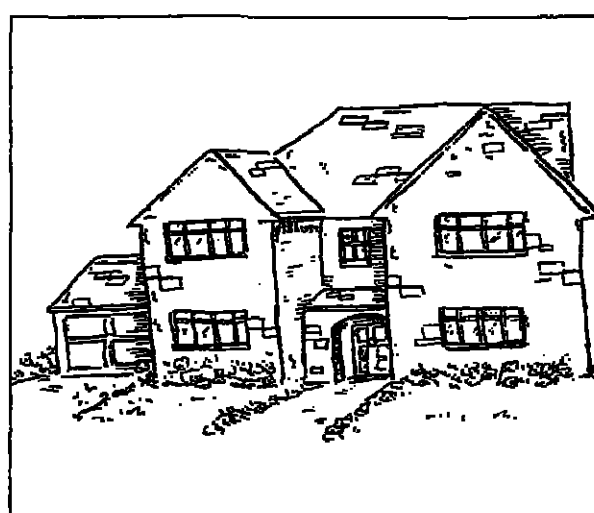
Yet while people were often deeply concerned about Labour's failure to improve public services, particularly health, they did not blame the Government for a looming recession and possible job losses. News that Mr Blair could not save jobs at the doomed microchip plant in his own constituency, Sedgefield, appears to have convinced people like Gary, a Northfield car worker, that economies are beyond the control of any one country.

He said: "I don't think my job will be there in five years... all the new people are on six-month contracts and they'll be out on their ears." He blamed events outside the control of Mr Blair for a looming crisis in Britain's industrial heartlands.

Our findings underline Mr Blair's success in repositioning Labour on the centre-right and capturing a new, middle-England constituency. Underlying support for the Prime Minister, if not the wider Government, remains strong. But remove Mr Blair, and the New Labour revolution will flop. He is seen as a one-man band; other senior ministers are rarely, if ever, mentioned.

In the words of David, a chartered surveyor and older, Conservative voter, in Enfield: "Labour consists of one person — Blair. He's able to sway people with his oratory. But the people around him haven't a clue what to do..."

The Tory hierarchy can draw no comfort from our findings. Even the party's traditional supporters feel that Mr Hague has "lost the plot" and will be replaced sooner rather than later.



How voters view the parties — clockwise, from top left, Labour as an Islington town house or six-bedroom detached; Conservative as a three-bed suburban semi, or something more 'massive'

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## From people's party to the nouveau riche: how voters view Labour's rise in value

Peter Hetherington

**I**T HAS been a long, rocky ideological road from the council house to the suburban semi — and now the flashy, detached home deep in middle-England, or the elegant Islington terrace.

But the transformation from people's party to New Labour — and the nouveau riche — now seems complete, according to the findings of the four Guardian focus groups.

Asked to think of a political party as a house, our respondents in Birmingham were in no doubt that Labour represented "big, detached, six-bedroom houses with a long drive on a good road". Parked outside would be a Rover or a Jag.

The house would have red roses in the front garden, there would be thick carpets inside, a Labrador on the mat and "Lord Irvine" style wallpaper throughout — a reference to the Lord Chancellor's expensive decorative tastes.

According to the findings from Enfield, Labour's typical house was seen as a Victorian three-storey terrace in Islington with marble floors, well-kept front garden, and Oasis waiting from an expensive sound system. If there wasn't a vintage E-type Jag, there would be a Mercedes or Daimler. "More likely a Rover at the front and a Daimler round the back," said Philip, a young Labour convert.

By contrast, the Tory house in Birmingham would be "massive", with a long drive and electric gates, and Rolls-Royce or Jag. Inside, a pin-striped Tory might be "knocking off someone else's wife" — an indication that sleaze still forms a perception of the party. Some felt the house would be up for repossession.

The young Enfield focus group selected by ICM, all former Tory voters, thought the Tory house might be most similar to their own — "a three-bed semi, modern and nice" on a new estate, with a Mondeo or Vectra outside. And the Lib Dem house? Untidy terrace, or a country cottage "for bumpkins growing organic veg".

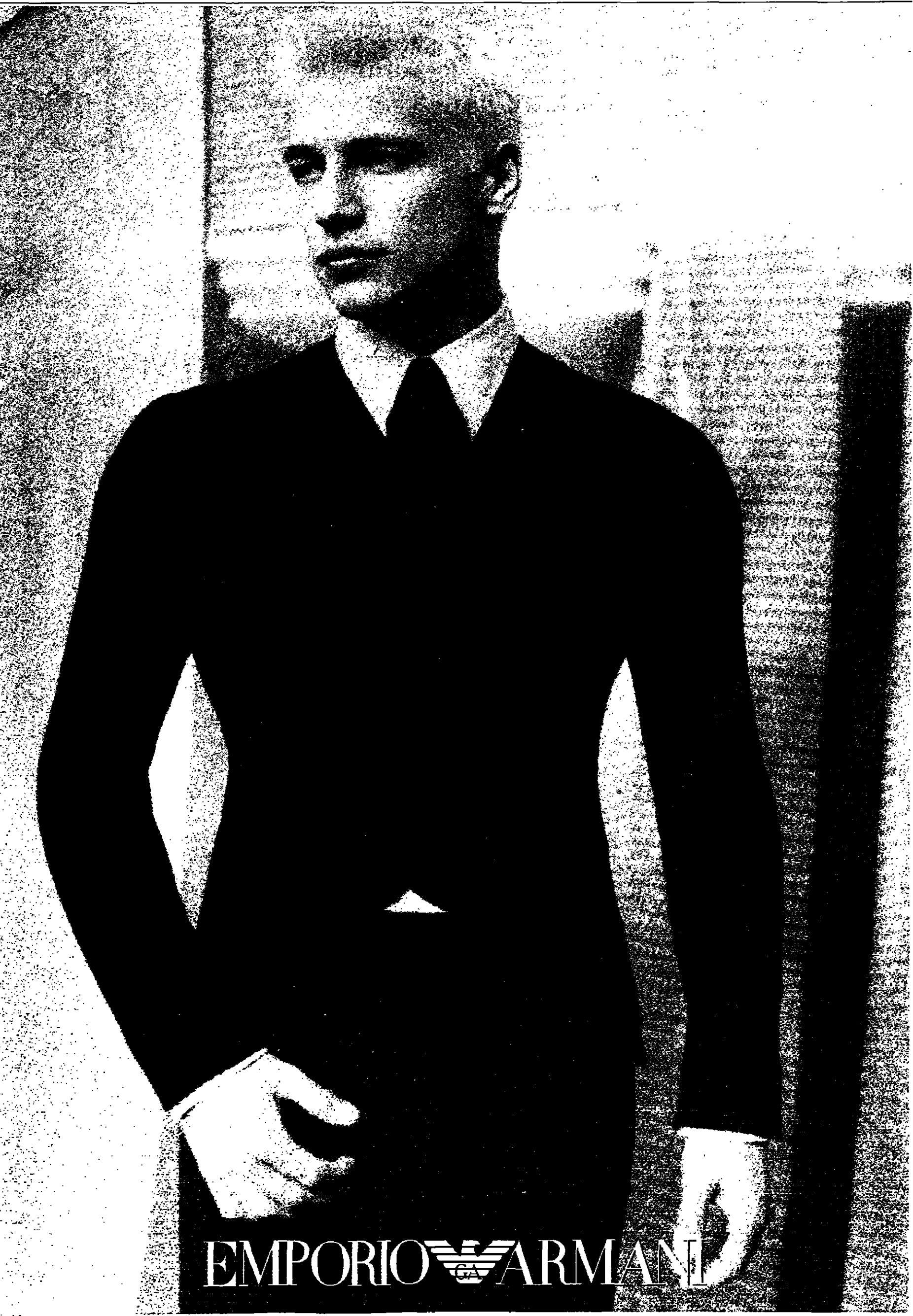
### ICM's main findings

- Some disappointment that things have not changed much under Labour. Party seen as too cautious. Some felt it was too soon to judge performance.
- Tony Blair seen to be charismatic, accessible and approachable for ordinary people — although lingering mistrust about his honesty and sincerity to deliver real change.
- Concerns about the economy, health and education. Most did not blame Labour.
- Tories seen as non-existent, elitist and out of touch. Done little to regain lost support.
- William Hague seen as ineffectual. In Enfield, Portillo disliked as much as Hague.
- Image of Liberal Democrats as a bit irrelevant, and a wasted vote, continues. Many ex-Tories voting Lib Dem in 1997 are considering switching to Labour next time.

got round to doing them." The contrast between voters' perceptions of New Labour's positive style and its negative substance, emerged in the focus groups selected in the marginal constituencies of Enfield Southgate, the north London seat lost by Michael Portillo last year, and Birmingham Northfield.

The former defence secretary turned television personality — and future Tory leadership contender if he finds a way back to the Commons — can draw little comfort from the findings. Mr Portillo is held in as much contempt as William Hague, widely dismissed as a "joke", a "wimp", and a "plonker", by even staunch Tory backers.

Facing no real opposition from the Tories, and with Liberal Democrats often thought irrelevant — our findings suggested a potential switch from Lib Dem to Labour among younger voters in Northfield who backed Paddy Ashdown last year — Mr Blair can take great comfort on two fronts: his strong leadership and his success in convincing voters that the wave of recent job



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## Arrest of Anwar spurs solidarity

John Sweeney in Kuala Lumpur, and agencies

Leaders of four Malaysian parties and more than a dozen non-governmental organisations held a joint rally yesterday to press for the repeal of the draconian law used to detain the sacked deputy prime minister and dissident leader Anwar Ibrahim.

Although the authorities have banned all public meetings, no police were seen at the rally, held at the local headquarters of the Islamic fundamentalist opposition Parti Islam Se-Malaysia (PAS) in Gombak, a town about 10 miles from Kuala Lumpur.

The protest was led by the Democratic Action Party, the Parti Rakyat Malaysia and the National Socialist party. Earlier the police thwarted their attempt to launch a new movement, called the Coalition for People's Democracy, in a Kuala Lumpur hotel. The police refused a permit and the hotel management locked the hall.

The group announced a 10-point joint declaration which includes the right to freedom of speech and assembly, and the right to a fair trial and impartial hearing in a public court of law. It also called for the repeal of all legislation infringing human rights, including the Internal Security Act (ISA).

Some observers speculated that the prime minister, Mahathir Mohamad may declare a state of emergency.

Mr Anwar has vanished from public view since his arrest. The regime accused him of sodomy, but neither Dr Mahathir nor the police have produced any evidence in court.

The meeting heard a message from Mr Anwar's wife, whom police had reportedly kept away. "Day to day we are waiting and wondering whether Brother Anwar will be brought to court. We do not seek anything other than Anwar being produced in court and given a fair trial," it said.

In the past Dr Mahathir has exploited ethnic divisions between the majority Malay and

minority Chinese populations, but the presence of politicians from both communities on the same platform was one indication that his hold on power is weakening.

The majority of the protesters were Malay Muslims supporters of PAS, who have been outraged by the unsubstantiated sodomy accusations against Mr Anwar and his detention under the ISA.

The head of PAS, Fadzil Mohammed Noor, quoted the UN Declaration of Human Rights when he excoriated the ISA and the corruption of the Mahathir regime.

Syed Husin Ali, a leftwing politician who shared a cell with Mr Anwar when they were detained under the ISA in the 1970s, joked that 90 per cent of Dr Mahathir's cabinet was guilty of adultery, to hoots of laughter from the crowd. A member of the mainly Chinese Democratic Action Party also mocked Dr Mahathir and his regime, to shouts of agreement from the mainly Malay audience.

It looks as though the opposition has finally found a cause on which it can unite.



A man in Calcutta works on a clay statue of the Hindu god Ganesha for India's four-day festival of Durga Puja, celebrating the triumph of good over evil. PHOTOGRAPH: MADU KUMAR

## Zealots hound writer on mercy visit to Dhaka

Arshad Mahmud in Dhaka

SALMAN RUSHDIE may be savouring freedom in London, but the Bangladeshi feminist writer Taslima Nasrin was in hiding from both Islamic fundamentalists and police yesterday.

Four years after she was hounded out of the country by religious zealots, Ms Nasrin, who returned to Dhaka secretly to visit her dying mother, may be forced to flee again.

Her nights are sleepless with anxiety, her lawyer said. "She's deeply concerned and has sought our advice on what to do now."

There have been protests by Muslim fundamentalists since the news of her return broke last week.

According to some reports, the authorities have advised her to leave to avoid embroiling the government in a controversy which would distract its attention from pressing efforts to deal with the aftermath of the recent floods.

Several fundamentalist parties have organised

marches demanding her execution. They have also criticised Sheikh Hasina's government for being equivocal about her whereabouts.

Ms Nasrin earned the wrath of the fundamentalists with an interview in an Indian newspaper in early 1994 in which she was quoted as criticising the Koran for being unfair to women. She says she was misquoted.

She became internationally known after an obscure religious group called Soldiers of the Prophet put a price on her head.



Taslima Nasrin: Advised to leave the country

### News in brief

#### Jones lawyer banks on deal with Clinton

A LAWYER for Paula Jones said yesterday he was "very optimistic" about the prospect of securing a cash deal with President Clinton in return for dropping all aspects of her sexual harassment case. "It benefits everybody to settle at this point," David Pyke said in a television interview.

Mrs Jones alleges that the US president asked her for oral sex in a Little Rock Hotel in 1991, when he was governor of Arkansas. Her appeal against a lower court's dismissal of the case is due to be heard on October 20.

Her lawyers have asked for \$1 million from Mr Clinton, who is believed to have offered \$500,000. Both sides have hinted that a deal could come within days, which would free Mr Clinton to concentrate on his main legal goal, averting impeachment by Congress for the Lewinsky affair. — Martin Kettle, Washington.

#### Neutral Austria blocks France

AUSTRIA'S coalition government decided yesterday, after a fierce internal debate about joining Nato, to maintain its neutral status by denying France permission to move troops and military equipment across its territory for military exercises in Slovakia.

The defence and foreign ministries had approved a right of passage, but on Saturday Chancellor Viktor Klima's office blocked the decision, which it said would contradict Austria's neutrality. — Martin Walker, Vienna.

#### Blast victims net widens

THOUSANDS more people than initially identified deserve compensation and assistance after the August 7 bombing of the United States embassy in Nairobi, in which 256 people died and more than 5,000 were injured, aid organisations say.

The International Committee of the Red Cross and the Kenyan National Bomb Disaster Committee said they had underestimated the number of dependants affected by not taking account of polygamy and extended families. They have sent counsellors and doctors to rural areas to trace dependants. — Lucy Hannon, Nairobi.

#### Triathletes' frogmarch



Spectators on the French Riviera watch 1,700 competitors sporting wetsuits and goggles start the 1998 Nice Triathlon from Nice beach yesterday. PHOTOGRAPH: LIONEL CRONNEAU

#### Gas blast at Majorca cafe

AT LEAST 50 people were injured yesterday when an apparent gas explosion caved in the roof of a cafe on the Spanish Mediterranean island of Majorca, officials said.

The blast, believed to have been caused by a ruptured propane tank, ripped through the Cafe Cappuccino on the waterfront in Palma de Majorca. Ten of the injured were in serious condition, an emergency services spokeswoman said.

Forty people, including at least six foreigners, were admitted to local hospitals. Medical officials said two Dutch tourists were among the injured. The Foreign Office was checking reports that four Britons were injured. — Reuters, Palma de Majorca.

#### Please don't book me, son

IT WAS the perfect excuse to a traffic policeman about to issue a ticket for a routine offence. "You can't do that, I'm your dad," Kelly Benitez, a Los Angeles policeman, had heard bizarre excuses before, but when the motorist told him his first name and that of his mother, he was convinced.

Kelly Benitez, aged 29, later confirmed that the driver he had pulled over, Paul Benitez, aged 49, was his long-lost father. The men had tried to find each other over the years and now plan a family reunion. — Christopher Reed, Los Angeles.

#### ETA youths break truce

Adela Gocho in San Sebastián

IN THE first act of separatist violence since the terror group ETA declared a ceasefire 10 days ago, hooded Basque youths set alight the offices of the Spanish Socialist Party at the weekend. A security guard was badly

burnt in the attack. "They threw their firebombs and then dragged me out into the street kicking and screaming and telling me they'd kill me if I moved," he said.

Leaders of the mainstream Basque Nationalist Party (PNV) said the attack could have been retaliation for the attack on an office belonging to Herri Batasuna last week.



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## Grassroots victory

It will be good for Blair

THE LABOUR high command had its answer ready. "So what?" said the voice of Downing Street, on hearing the news that a quartet of troublesome dissenters had burrowed their way into the institution that used to be described as "Labour's ruling body": the national executive committee. The official line insists Downing Street is "astonishingly relaxed" by yesterday's first item in Blackpool — the news that four of the six NEC places determined by party members had gone to the left-leaning Grassroots Alliance. The bosses say they don't care that a loose coalition of non-loyalists came out ahead of the Millbank-approved slate, Members First. It might be annoying, they admit, to deal with the likes of Liz Davies — the left-winger barred last year by the NEC from standing as a parliamentary candidate — but not much more.

Strictly speaking, they might be right. The NEC is hardly the body it once was; modernisation has made it all but power-

less. Besides, even if the four Grassrooters are joined by a couple of independent-minded trade unionists and Dennis Skinner from the MPs section, the awkward squad will still lose every vote the NEC takes. Their best case is to lose by 25 votes to 7, rather than 32 to zero.

But yesterday's result is not nothing. Just as they did last year, when they chose Ken Livingstone over Peter Mandelson, Labour party members have sent a message to Tony Blair and the architects of the New Labour project. They support the Government, they're delighted it's in power instead of the Tories — but they're ready to hear other voices, too. By granting first place to a thoughtful radical like Tribune editor Mark Seddon — they signalled their faith in internal debate. Diversity of opinion is not a threat, but a sign of vitality; in politics, conformity is close to morbidity. If the NEC was to take its decisions on unanimous votes, Mr Blair would live an easier life — but he would be the leader of an empty shell, not a genuine political movement.

That was why the Guardian welcomed the arrival of the Grassroots Alliance earlier in the summer: prompted by the belief that debate is better than uniformity, argument better than control. The great irony of yesterday's proceedings was that, once the NEC results were in, Mr Blair proved the

point himself perfectly. The Prime Minister took to the podium, removed his jacket and faced the delegates' questions. Advance billing suggested the question and answer session might be a bit of a North Korea number, with stage-managed, softball plaudits laid at the feet of the Great Leader. But it didn't turn out that way. The first question came from a delegate who said she was looking forward to having a good time in Blackpool, but that she didn't really believe conference would achieve much. Another asked if there was not a large, economic philosophy-shaped hole in the Third Way. One more wondered why every name-tag, every document-pack and every fringe meeting seemed to have a commercial sponsor: is Labour a party for sale?

These were real questions, chosen at random. And far from crumbling under the pressure of non-controlled debate, Mr Blair seemed to thrive on it. He was confident, funny and persuasive. His argument that Labourites should not delude themselves that they have a choice between the Blair government and the Labour government of their dreams — for the real choice is between Tony Blair and the Tories — was effective. So was his "been there, done that" dismissal of Labour's fratricidal past. As a tacit rebuttal of the NEC results it was smart: reminding activists that he would

not tolerate any repeat of the bitter 1980s. But, paradoxically, it was also a reminder of why yesterday's election of the Grassroots Four may help, rather than hurt, Tony Blair. For politicians, like politics, need a good argument even when they think otherwise.

## The cyber bard

The play's the thing

A PLAY by any other hand would surely read as fair. The news that Edward III has been accepted as being "largely" from the pen of William Shakespeare by its inclusion in the authoritative Arden Shakespeare edition doesn't change the world or make the play itself any better or worse than it was last week. But it is difficult to avoid the feeling that literature is subtly enriched by the announcement. It wasn't enough to completely satisfy Eric Sams, a 72-year-old retired civil servant of Croydon, Surrey, even though it marks the climax of 30 years of campaigning. Mr Sams maintains that Edward III was written entirely by the Bard. Nor will it satisfy Oxfordians who will simply claim Edward III as another work by Robert de Vere, the 17th Earl of Oxford, who is the leading pretender to Shakespearean

authorship now that Bacon, Marlowe, Jonson and others have fallen a bit by the wayside. Oxfordians claim that hardly anything is known about Shakespeare himself and least of all how the Stratford grammar school boy managed to acquire the erudition and courtly experience that the plays are dripping with. Only the Earl of Oxford fits the bill, they say. They have produced folios of textual references (and a 1,270-page book) to back their case, dismissed as phony evidence by True Believers.

At the very least Shakespeare would have been flattered to know that the debate about his existence is now being conducted in cyberspace, where more things are happening than were dreamed of in his philosophy. Computer matching was used to verify textual similarities between Edward III and (other) plays, while the debate about authorship rages over the Internet, where Shakespearean and Oxfordian websites have turned the whole world into an electronic stage. There are nearly half a million Shakespeare-related sites on the World Wide Web ranging from complete texts of all the plays (which can be downloaded at no cost) and erudite criticisms to yet new graphological theories that it was really Bacon after all. New technology — and controversy — have proved nothing but a boon for Shakespeare's international worth.

## Letters to the Editor

### Some tips on appliances

RE Matthew Norman's problem with his short lead for the electric kettle, I can reveal that all electric kettles have short leads. With up to two kilowatts of power and at 240 volts by 13 amps, it is unwise to approach a cold tap with a plugged-in kettle. The tap will perform as a perfect earth, and the chances of electrocution for the person holding both tap and kettle are high.

Stephen Luitman, Taversham, Kent.

YOU don't need to go to Czechoslovakia to find a phonetic language (Letters, September 18). Here in Wales my seven-year-old, who at three spoke no Welsh, is able to read better in Welsh than in English because it is a phonetic language.

Hilary Matthews, Uwchygarrig, Machynlleth.

RE the death of Flo Jo (Analysis, September 23): if it is suggested her world records are disallowed on the grounds of reported drug abuse, we believe that many other old records, such as Sgt Pepper, Dark Side of the Moon, Are you Experienced?, Pet Sounds, Coltrane's early work with Miles Davis etc, should not be allowed to stand as they were probably produced under the influence of drugs.

M A Ferguson, A P Langman, London.

LAETLY, when I fancy a bet, I check the horses which Chris Hawkins and Top Form recommend and call up my bookmaker. The problem is that I keep winning. My bookmaker is getting concerned — what can I be doing wrong?

William Simpson, Barking, Essex.

DIR All Cockayne get up Carling's nose? (Carling confirms split from partner, September 26)

Paul Thompson, London.

Please include a postal address, even on e-mailed letters, and a daytime telephone number. We may edit letters: shorter ones are more likely to appear. Please give a reference to relevant articles.

## Spectre haunting Labour

THIS extreme reaction of the Labour leadership in recent weeks to the threat of NEC places falling to the left has mystified outsiders. The mystery starts to clear when you note Michael White's case for requiring political parties operating under a list system to follow internal democratic procedures (Analysis, September 24).

The resistance to the New Labour establishment consists not only of a left that has taken on the internal democratic agenda — possibly for tactical reasons — but of a radical democratic wing that by any past definition would be regarded as right-wing. The party's real fear is membership accountability. The radical democrats want the NEC to be contingent on internal democracy. Otherwise, it will simply not be worth having.

A choice between ideologically driven lists constructed by professional political fixers is no choice at all if the MP or other office-holder has to please some central office bureaucrat rather than his or her local constituents in order to remain in office.

Only radical democrats in all three main parties can halt the systematic substitution of socialist oligarchy for true democratic accountability. If FR comes, radical democratic

socialists may well, one day, form another entity rather than connive in this creeping decay into national populism. Tim Fendry, Former co-ordinator, Grassroots Alliance, London.

MICHAEL White is unfair to Jack Straw. If I am correctly informed, Straw was convinced by the case for an "open" list system for PR elections to the European Parliament, which would have given voters a limited choice among candidates on party lists. I understand Home Office press releases were ready to go out announcing lists would be "open". But Millbank intervened and Straw was obliged to go back to closed lists. Given that greater party control over the selection of candidates is an inherent weakness of PR, more thought should be given to the registration of political parties, which extends voter choice and trust to the closed lists. Given that greater party control over the selection of candidates is an inherent weakness of PR, more thought should be given to the registration of political parties, which extends voter choice and trust to the closed lists. Given that greater party control over the selection of candidates is an inherent weakness of PR, more thought should be given to the registration of political parties, which extends voter choice and trust to the closed lists.

Stuart Weir, Democratic Audit, University of Essex.

ON the last day for voting in the NEC elections, you carried an advertisement stat-

ing "Join Labour now and have your say". When my post arrived I thought "goddie, I can have my say twice", as it contained a second set of NEC ballot papers.

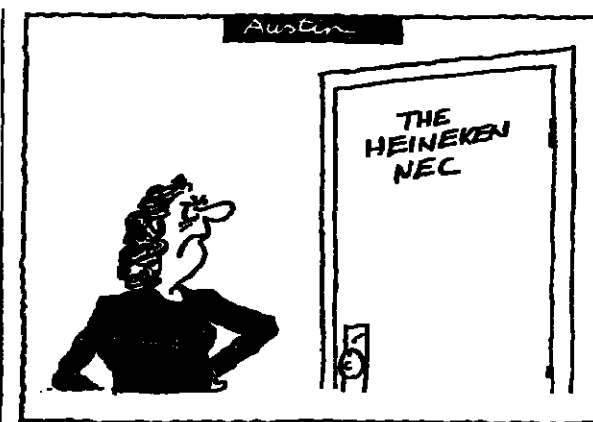
But somehow this did not seem right so I phoned Millbank only to be told by "an agent", that because of my unique voting number I would be found out if I voted again. Expressing fury at the incompetence and waste involved, I was told "we know duplicates have gone out, we are sorry; we can't tell you how much this cost". After near 40 years of Labour membership I am now, for the first time, seriously considering resigning. If they cannot run a ballot, how can we trust them to run the country?

Diane Munday, St Albans, Herts.

SO Mark Steel (Parasite Yourself, September 23) thinks the electorate failed to elect a Labour government. The realist principles, why did he need to go to Leeds? (Exit North as Sir Ian treads of London's bourgeoisie, September 24). He could have hopped across to strut the boards at the Lyric Theatre Hammersmith, Theatre Royal Stratford East, the Young Vic, the Tricycle in Kilburn or any one of a number of London's first-rate subsidised theatres which play to young, culturally diverse audiences made up of Londoners from all walks of life.

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## Venues and roles for McKellen

SIR Ian McKellen wanted to get in touch with the people and kick in socialist principles, why did he need to go to Leeds? (Exit North as Sir Ian treads of London's bourgeoisie, September 24). He could have hopped across to strut the boards at the Lyric Theatre Hammersmith, Theatre Royal Stratford East, the Young Vic, the Tricycle in Kilburn or any one of a number of London's first-rate subsidised theatres which play to young, culturally diverse audiences made up of Londoners from all walks of life.

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## What hope for charity as the UK and Iran trade fatwas

CYNICISM is my reaction to the reappearance of the ubiquitous features of Salman Rushdie on your front page (Rushdie's nightmare is over, September 25). Rushdie walks free because Iran needs to get cash to make the bomb (now Pakistan has it) and the British government needs new markets and oil.

In the scramble to restore diplomatic and trade relations, the "new" administration in Tehran and our own new-borns merrily trade fatwas. In exchange for the freeing of Rushdie, Tehran, by a carefully orchestrated smear campaign, has got Whitehall effectively to close down Iran Aid, the UK charity which looks after thousands of orphan children in Iran. The existence of this charity is naturally highly embarrassing to Tehran, since these are no ordinary children: they are the children of "mo-harebs" — dissidents — whose parents have been executed, often in front of the children. They themselves are branded as infidels by association, therefore, as with the Jews in Nazi Germany, it is "halal" (OK) to mistreat them and against the law to help them.

Through a carefully concealed network of volunteers inside Iran, for the past 15 years Iran Aid has been gathering these often deeply traumatised children off the streets and looking after them in tiny "safe" households dotted all over the big cities of Iran. But

now these same thousands of children will starve, because all of a sudden, as of July, the British government, via its Charity Commission, has placed Iran Aid under "investigation" — a euphemism which effectively means the charity can no longer operate, and soon the children — and the remaining evidence of Iran's appalling human rights record — will die.

Belinda McKenzie, Friend of Iran Aid, London.

## Pie-eyed

WAS interested to read of the first annual "do" in J B Priestley's honour (Pie Night, September 14) and the praise of Philip Smith's pies. But Priestley in his famous September 29, 1940 broadcast was not describing Philip Smith's I'vegate shop window, which displayed the wares of a traditional pork butcher, but the unique window display of Roberts meat and potato pie shop in Upper Godwin Street. Roberts's window held only a large gleaming steel cylinder surmounted by a golden crust from which rose a gentle plume of steam. Generations of Bradford's children flattened their noses against Roberts's window in vain attempts to discover the secret of the mysterious steaming pie.

Derek Pickles, Bradford.



## Endpiece: Packs and pacts

### Roy Hattersley

I SPENT much of last week sorting through the bewildering bundle of documents with which I was supposed to prepare myself for what I think is the 88th annual conference of the Labour Party. When I was involved in the organisation of these occasions, they were always identified by their historic number. The habit has been abandoned, either to contribute to the clear break with the wickedly socialist past or as a transitional arrangement before the Third Way Calendar is introduced and we acknowledge that the world began in The Year of Our Blair 1994.

Most of the documents within what I should call the "pack" are designed in the style of double-glazing advertising brochures. Philip Gould, of focus group fame, actually uses what calls itself "Conference Guide 1998" to write an advertising feature for a book that is soon to publish — the name of which unfortunately escapes

me. New Labour, new commercialism. But that was not, in itself, an innovation. The aesthetic quality of conference documents has gone steadily down hill since Peter Mandelson — then the director of Labour Party communications — took over the reins. The pack, which, according to Neil Kinnock, would have been a more appropriate packaging for his teenage daughter's toilet soap. This year the language in the brochures has descended to match the quality of their design. Much of the information is provided in the style of those motel menus which describe "a gourmet embraced symphony of succulent pork, aromatic herbs and sun-blessed grain" — when they mean a sausage. Consider what the guide offers delegates at 2.15 on Thursday afternoon. "WE MUST STOP MEETING LIKE THIS — Leadership volunteer motivation and life beyond meetings". That, I take it, will be a discussion of local organisation. Uncertain whether or not Olympia Hall was a venue or

the *nom de guerre* of the new general secretary and worried about why the guide predicts that Tony Blair's speech would encourage "swirling from the chandeliers", I telephoned mission control at Millbank Tower for guidance about the dates of his debates. When I asked, was conference to debate proportional representation — or "voting reform" as its proponents call it in a not very subtle attempt to pre-empt the argument. The obliging apparition at the other end of the line said that she presumed it would be "Monday or Thursday when we discuss Democracy and Citizenship. But we don't give sessions exact titles these days." Who said that press offices always embellish the simple truth?

I assume that if and when the debate takes place, the more intellectual delegates — to whom the conference guide is intended to appeal — will concentrate on a basic philosophical question. "Is democracy best achieved by the election of a House of Commons in which the political affiliation of

the individual members is a reflection of the votes cast for each party at the general election?" The sensible (though complicated) answer is "no". The fashionable (and superficial) reply is "yes". But there is another consequence of proportional representation which might interest one or two of the assembled party members. After "electoral reform" there will never be a Labour government again. Let us take the last and next election results as an example of what is certainly the case.

The landslide triumph of 1997 was won by Labour on 43.2 per cent of total votes cast. In 1996, Harold Wilson won fewer seats, but attracted a larger proportion of the popular vote. Indeed, throughout the Fifties and Sixties, Labour's share of the vote was always greater than it was last year. But, in only one of those elections did the Liberals' percentage reach double figures. Labour did spectacularly well when the Liberals did spectacularly badly. Proportional representation is intended to boost the Liberal

Democrats' prospects in two ways. They will win more seats and, in consequence, attract the votes of instinctive supporters who previously believed that voting Liberal was a waste of time. Margaret Thatcher is certainly right to predict that Tony Blair will win a second term. However, were the next election to be fought on anything that resembles proportional representation, Labour would be lucky to win 40 per cent of the vote.

Whatever the electoral reform devotes may believe, there will never be a House of Commons which exactly reflects the voting pattern of the whole electorate. And before the fanatics begin to compose their dissenting letters, they may like to reflect that my argument would be stronger were that ever to be the case. In fact, Labour — because its votes are bunched in small urban constituencies — is likely to have more seats than the simple distribution of votes would justify. Let us therefore, for the sake of argument, suggest that Tony Blair would

command 45 per cent of the House of Commons and round the figure up to 300 Labour MPs.

Does anybody really think that he would struggle on in such a minority? The result would be a coalition and the new government's policy would have to be adjusted to attract the support of whatever number of Liberals were needed to guarantee domination of the House of Commons. The arrangement would be distinctly different from the Lib-Lab pact of the 1970s. The Liberal Democrats — boosted by the spirit of the new constitution — would demand a formal relationship. There would be Liberal Democrats in the Cabinet and Liberal Democrat policies in the Queen's Speech. To be fair, that may be exactly what some of the advocates of proportional representation want. It is certainly what they would get. If we debate the subject in Blackpool this week, I hope that they will say so.

David McKee's column will appear tomorrow



Betty Carter

# Jazz on the razor's edge

BETTY CARTER, who has died of cancer aged 69, had a reputation as an instrument-like singer who didn't want either the audience or her partners to be able to figure exactly what was coming next. The kind, in other words, that the jazz cognoscenti loves, and the casual listener sometimes feels stretches the envelope of a song to the puzzling point where it stops being identifiable as an envelope at all. But Carter could always pull even non-buff listeners back into the clearing, however mercilessly she might have appeared to be leading them into a thicket and abandoning them there — and that was a secret of the success of one of the most enthralling jazz singers of all time.

Although Carter never had the mass popular appeal of Ella Fitzgerald — and her devotion to maintaining spontaneity and a fast-moving conversational intimacy with an ever-changing retinue of sharp young musicians inevitably narrowed her audience — she was never simply a musician's musician.

At the Blue Note Club in New York in July 1987, where Carter was cracking through 30-minute sets without a glimmer of an indication of either failing imagination or failing strength, she repeatedly demonstrated how the rugged vigour of her personality, her acerbic wit and an unerring sense of drama and timing could reach every kind of audience, familiar with her deviously oblique encryption of pop songs and Broadway standards or not.

A young woman in the front row of that Blue Note audience was visibly irritated by some of the singer's more labyrinthine improvisations. Then she was suddenly hypnotised by Carter's abrupt switch from poignant resignation to a yelp of panicked anger on the reliction song *Thirty Years*. She stared up at the singer as if transfixed by an emotional explosion she had not seen coming, and clutched her boyfriend — as if unprepared by the instability of the future. That kind of thing happened on Carter dates all the time.

Betty Carter's voice could negotiate most of the nuances and ambiguities lying be-

tween the sounds of a cooing whisper and a gunshot, and in 50 years on the road she honed those skills to a razor's edge that could be spine-chilling as well as fascinating. Sometimes she would bait and beguile her musicians as if she were an exasperated mother trying to enervate laggardly children, and her musicians — usually piano trios — would watch her every move, interpreting the weaves and feints of her restlessly demonstrative arm movements on the fly, waiting for the suddenly insistent swivel of the head, or the un-

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expected percussive shout that the drummer was expected to turn into an explosive cymbal-smash almost before the sound had left her lips.

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The repertoire was usually the same from one show to the next, but the interpretations varied from night to night, and place to place, and band to band. *East of the Sun*,

*West of the Moon* was a favourite, but Carter wouldn't let the uninitiated in on the secret of the song's identity for a full five minutes or more of molten, interval-warping improvised lines and one-touch collective improvisation with the others, just occasionally dropping in the odd reference to the song as a clue.

She would deliver love-songs with poignant emotion, vibrating like piano wire or with a sensuality you could dip a finger in. Yet she might still burst into laughter at a missed cue in the trio, and the moment wouldn't detract at all from the story of the song, because her deconstruction of its mechanics would intensify rather than obstruct the meshing of technique, experience and humanity in her work.

Carter was originally from Michigan, born Lillie Mae Jones. She appeared on stage with Charlie Parker in Detroit in the 1940s — playing hookey from school and altering her birth certificate to avoid the club's no-juveniles rule. It was a period in which she was hypnotised by both bop and its lifestyle.

The legend then goes that she maintained a stormy relationship with the Lionel Hampton band for a couple of years, being fired seven times by the boss and re-hired seven times by Hampton's wife Gladys, who was an unshakable Carter fan.

"Hampton was the band leader and I was a little snoot," Carter told the Guardian in 1987. "I loved the Dizzy Gillespie bebop world and I wanted to be in Dizzy's band but he wasn't hiring females. I didn't realise then that the man upstairs had put me in the best band I could have been in. Disciplined, well run, well paid, and a place where I could learn."

Hampton dubbed the incorrigibly-improvising Carter "Betty Bebop", which she hated, but the experience turned her into a fine big-band singer, and later an inspired and inspiring collaborator with artists such as Miles Davis and Ray Charles. But small groups always suited her best for their interactive potential, offering scope for winging it that constantly diverted Carter from the heart-on-the-sleeve emotionalism of the torchy jazz

singers, or the metallic, dis-embodied scating of bop vocalists, who pretend to be instruments.

She liked working with players young enough to be her children, because "you get energy, inspiration and eagerness from them," she observed. "They don't watch the clock, they just want to play. You're working with a bunch of kids who haven't been over-exposed to the standards but are hearing them for the first time. They don't know how it goes — so they're flexible enough to do it different. I can teach them what jazz really is."

Carter was a Grammy-winner, and her 1960 duet with Ray Charles on *Baby It's Cold Outside* became a jazz classic. Now-celebrated musicians who worked and learned at her tough school include pianists John Hicks and Mulgrew Miller, bassists Buster Williams and Dave Holland, and drummers Jack DeJohnette and Lewis Nash.

Carter was keenly aware of the politics of the music industry, and resisted the major labels' attempts to take the sting and unpredictability out of jazz. She founded her own record label, Bet-Car, in the late 1960s, and one of the sessions she released through it, *The Audience with Betty Carter*, was nominated for a Grammy. In 1988, Verve offered her a contract, re-issuing her four earlier Bet-Car sets, and the Grammy-winning *Look What I Got*.

Betty Carter won a best female jazz vocalist Grammy award in 1988, and in 1993 founded Jazz Ahead, a music programme that brings a score or so of promising young jazz musicians from all over the States to New York every spring for study and performance — a fitting testimony to her tireless efforts to bring on the next jazz generation.

Eric Harland, one of her last percussionists, said: "She was like a mother to us all. She really made sure that not only in music but in life that we were going to be OK."

Betty Carter is survived by her two sons, Myles and Eagle Redding.

John Fordham

Betty Carter (Lillie Mae Jones) jazz singer, born May 16, 1929; died September 26, 1998



Jazz on a summer's eve... Betty Carter at the Catalina Bar, Los Angeles, in May 1986 with bassist Vashon Johnson

Komla Gbedemah

## Friends and foes in Ghana

FROM the late 1940s until the beginning of the 1960s Komla Gbedemah, who has died aged 68, was a key ally of Kwame Nkrumah, the man who led what had been the British colony of the Gold Coast into independence as Ghana in 1957. From 1951 and the birth of the country's self government until 1961 when Nkrumah seemed securely in power, Gbedemah was a cabinet minister. But in that year

leader was released, and called by the governor Sir Charles Noble Arden-Clarke, to form the first African government in a British colony. The ultimate result was the transformation of the Gold Coast into Ghana, and independence on March 6, 1957.

That was the high water mark. Four years later Gbedemah went into a European exile which only ended with the overthrow of Nkrumah in 1966.

the alliance shattered, and Gbedemah went into an exile that marked the end of his effective political career.

A brilliant political organiser, he masterminded the successful 1961 campaign of the Convention Peoples Party (CPP) in the Gold Coast's first general elections. Nkrumah, after declaring a civil disobedience campaign, had been jailed by the British authorities but Gbedemah's work led to Nkrumah's triumph. The

Gbedemah was born at Warri in Nigeria. His father was a government medical official. He was educated at Cape Coast mission school and later at Achimota College, seen as an "African Elton John", founded by Sir Gordon Guggisberg on English public-school lines with the aim of producing an African elite. He was a contemporary there of Nkrumah. Lack of money prevented Gbedemah from studying medicine so he became a teacher, confectioner and businessman.

In 1949, by which time he had become manager and editor of the *Accra Evening News*, he joined Nkrumah in the CPP when it broke away from the main nationalist movement, the United Gold Coast Convention.

Elected to the Gold Coast legislative council in 1948, Gbedemah became health and later commerce minister. In 1954 he became finance minister in the colony's first all-African cabinet. There were fears of a split in the CPP. The Gold Coast's governor, Sir Charles Arden-Clarke, considered that Nkrumah had vanity in full measure, but described Gbedemah in a letter as "one of the vainest and most determined Gold Coast Africans I have met... He regards himself as God's gift to finance... we shall probably have some novel financial

doctrines from him."

By 1955 Gbedemah was in London to discuss the Volta River Project and the trust territory of Togoland. In 1957 he was a member of a delegation to London on constitutional issues. After independence he remained at the finance ministry until 1961, after which he was briefly minister for presidential affairs. Then came Nkrumah's "Dawn Broadcast" — a denunciation of the Ghanaian "capitalist roaders". It marked the low point in the two men's 14-year political journey.

Following Nkrumah's overthrow Gbedemah returned to Ghana. In exile he had formed links with Dr Kofi Busia, a leading opponent of Nkrumah, but in the new climate many Ghanaians saw him as the man who had done most to assure Nkrumah's dominance. In the 1969 general elections Gbedemah's party, the National Alliance of Liberals, was defeated by Dr Busia's Progress Party. Gbedemah was prevented from taking his seat in the national assembly and forbidden to lead a political party. He was married twice. He leaves several children and his second wife.

Reginald Amegatcher

Komla Agbeli Gbedemah, politician, born June 17, 1912; died July 11, 1998

Holger Jannasch

## The origin of species

HOLGER JANNASCH, who has died aged 71, was one of a small band of scientists whose discoveries were so startling that most of the world has yet to realise their significance. In 1977 he — and other oceanographers — discovered an entirely new realm of life in one of the most unexpected environments of all: the deep ocean floor.

For more than a century, marine biologists imagined the ocean floor as an arid, too dark, too cold and too infertile to support anything except a kind of sparse, scavenging life. The orthodoxy argued that since life depended on oxygen, sunlight and a steady supply of nutrients, the richest zones would be the coastal waters, the mangrove swamps, the river estuaries, and that life in the sea would become more precarious the further from land.

Because there would be plankton in the upper few metres, there would be food for a limited range of creatures, but the deep would be home to little more than a few strange fish that created their own luminosity. At the bottom of the abyss, where no light penetrated, and where the temperature was little more than freezing, there would only be sterility.

Then Jannasch and his colleagues at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, on Cape Cod, Massachusetts, working with a little submersible called Alvin, entered the history books. While exploring a mid-ocean ridge in the Pacific, they found the famous black smokers — volcanic springs pumping huge quantities of dissolved minerals at ferocious temperatures into the ocean waters.

Around these vents there lived huge concentrations of

sulphur-eating microbes, which flourished in temperatures above boiling point, and which fed completely unexpected ecosystems. He had found a realm of life which thrived on hot water rather than sunlight, and grazed on minerals rather than grass, and even stranger predators which fed on the bacteria.

These bacteria are now known as hyperthermophiles. The bet among biologists now is that they could have among their number the oldest inhabitants of the planet, and that in their dark, hot homes could lie the answer to the commencement of life itself 3.8 billion years ago.

Jannasch — who last year identified *Pyrolobus fumarii*, the bug that holds the record for growth at 113 degrees centigrade — himself wondered if the discovery did not also open the possibility of similar communities on other planets. As a consequence of such discoveries, NASA scientists are preparing to probe the sub-surface of Mars, and dig beneath the ice of Jupiter's moon, Europa, in the hope of discovering signs of extra-terrestrial life.

BACK home, some biologists now think that the recently-discovered subterranean microbial life, extending kilometres below the surface rocks, could have a total mass far exceeding that of all life on the surface of Earth. Jannasch was never so sure. His name, however, lives on in *Methanococcus jannaschii*, one of the first ancient microbes to have its complete DNA code unravelled, a first step in understanding its evolutionary past. But there were other microbes to be examined. "Every time we go to sea, we isolate new ones," he said.

"We get surprises all the time. The biology and bio-physiology of these organisms is completely different, which is very exciting."

Jannasch was born in Holz-minden, Germany, drafted into the forces at the age of 15, and captured by the British towards the end of the second world war. Once freed, he became a forest ranger and then worked at a bird sanctuary on the German coast before switching to oceanography. In 1963, he moved to the United States.

JANNASCH was a scientist on more than 35 ocean expeditions, gathering samples in the Mediterranean and Black Seas as well as the Atlantic and Pacific. He explored lakes in Tibet, in Africa and in Tasmania, and his understanding of the metabolisms of microbes at huge pressures and icy temperatures helped explain the preservation of shipwrecks such as the Titanic.

"Science is an adventure, not a career," he once said. In 1995 he was elected a foreign associate of the US National Academy of Sciences.

He is survived by his wife and two sons.

Tim Radford

Holger Windeklide Jannasch, scientist, born May 23, 1927; died September 8, 1998

### Death Notices

GLUCKSMAN, Miss Deborah, born 8th June 1924, died 22nd September 1998, aged 74. She was the wife of Peter, mother of David and Sophie, sister of Raphael and Naomi and who will be so much missed by them and her brothers and sisters in law. Her funeral will be held on Friday, September 25th, at 11.00am, followed by a private burial at St. Paul's Cathedral, Devonport. Donations to L.O.F. Bishop Malvern Memorial Fund. Enquiries to Leverton & Sons Ltd 0171 367 6075.

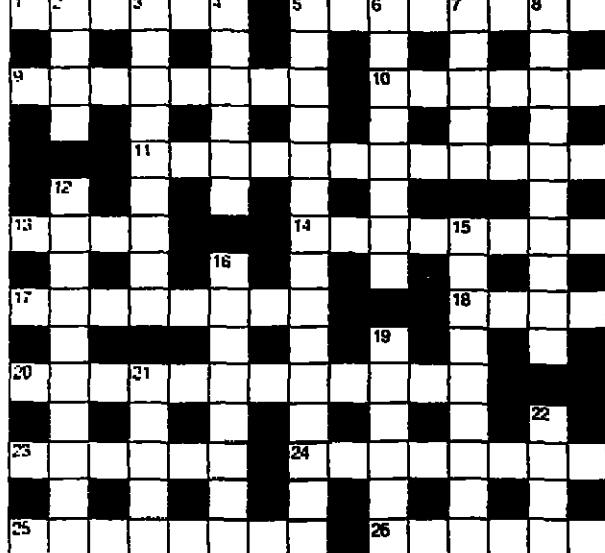
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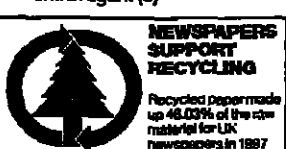


#### Across

- 1 Tongue of a shoe (6)
- 5 Presentation of laws to be amended (8)
- 9 Involved in a score or film story (8)
- 10 To tear round or just go round (5)
- 11 Announcement telling how to disengage one's parachute (5,7)
- 13 A bygone city with a distinctive air (4)
- 14 Be reluctant to suspend a footballer (4,4)
- 17 Two birds seen in early part of the day (4-4)
- 18 A meeting of hands express approval (4)
- 20 Change bowler in successful enterprise (5-7)
- 23 Slowly executed movement gets a soldier in trouble (6)

#### Down

- 2 Kind expression is important to the press (4-4)
- 25 A dark girl's true bent, perhaps (8)
- 26 A wave that flattens out (6)
- 2 Sweet kind of music (4)
- 3 Group on board may have come across it (9)
- 4 With the organ study over, got paid employment (6)
- 5 Inform on how one starts the play (5,3,7)
- 6 Clever operators nurses go for (8)
- 7 True love can prove so extravagant (5)



- 8 Lion is a cat violently opposed to mixing with mankind (10)
- 12 Unable to work after leaving the fraternity? (3,2,5)
- 15 Call to mind (2,7)
- 16 Blue-pencil our costs, 12 down (5,3)
- 19 Are all his shots singles through cover? (8)
- 21 Sort of marbles Nigel played with (6)
- 22 One covering end of chin in spots (4)

Solution tomorrow

### Corrections

IN A CAPTION, page 21, August 24, we identified the Australian Labour leader, Kim Beazley (correct in text) as Ken. We always say Labour, as opposed to Labor (English English, rather than Australian English).

IN A COLUMN, page 24, September 24, having referred to someone who "sits in the House of Lords", we went on, "So too, if she dares to show her face, does Dame Shirley Porter." Daring has nothing to do with it. Dame Shirley Porter is not entitled to sit in the Lords.

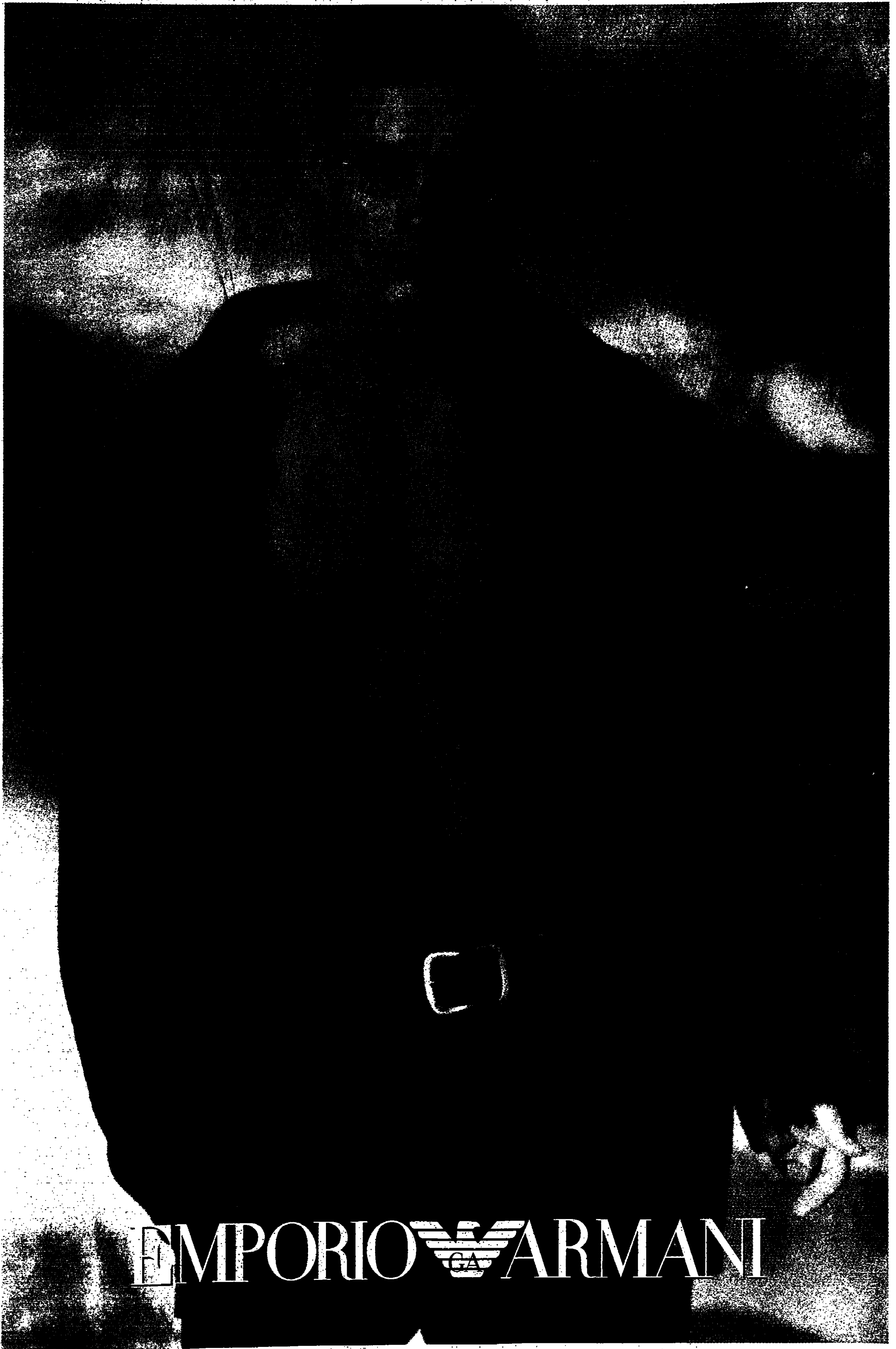
IN A REPORT headed, Jail threat to scout leader in sex case, which appeared on page 3 in early editions on September

18, we placed Bourne-mouth in Sussex. It used to be in Hampshire. Now it's in Dorset.

IN OUR report of the Chelsea-Helsinki game, page 2, Sport, we suggested that the Chelsea player, Tore Andre Flo, was Swedish. He is Norwegian.

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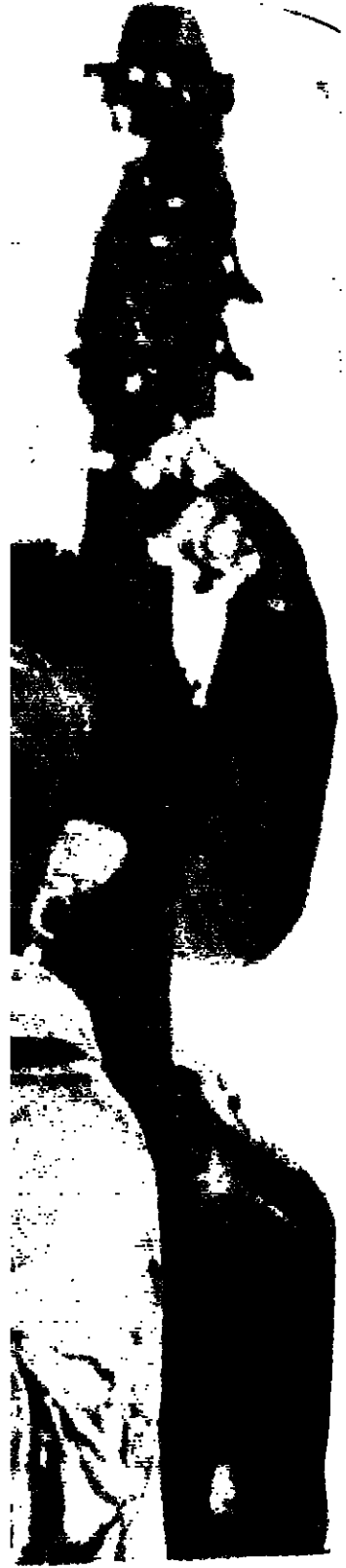




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Another 'no-win' victory for the champion



Counterpunch... Lennox Lewis deters an attack by the challenger for his WBC heavyweight title Zeljko Mavrovic with a left jab during his points victory

PHOTOGRAPH: AL BELLO

## Lewis stretched to the limit

**John Rawling** in Uncasville sees the Briton given the toughest of tests by his Croat challenger

IN SOME circles Zeljko Mavrovic had been derided as a no-hoper and the fight dismissed as a mis-match. The proud Croat proved his critics utterly wrong, and how. He may not be returning to his homeland as the World Boxing Council heavyweight champion but he should be comforted by the knowledge that he gave Lennox Lewis one of the most difficult nights of a long career.

Ultimately Lewis was a clear winner on the judges' cards, by margins of five rounds, six rounds and a ridiculously one-eyed 10 rounds. But victory came at a cost, as the supremely fit challenger exposed Lewis's suspect stamina and once more left the champion vulnerable to his critics.

Mavrovic had been expected to run but Lewis had to hastily rethink tactics as the Croat, roared on by his flag-waving compatriots, marched forward in defiance of Lewis's physical advan-

tages as he attempted to out-gun the champion.

Showing scant regard for Lewis's renowned punching power, Mavrovic earned early success with clubbing head shots and, when Lewis began to find his range with powerful uppercuts, he showed he had one of the strongest of chins.

A dramatic seventh round had many in the 4,254 crowd on their feet as Mavrovic launched a huge attack, pinning Lewis on the ropes, before the champion rallied after nailing the 29-year-old with a sweet right-hand counter. He had tasted the best Mavrovic could offer and returned it with interest. Perhaps the fight was settled there.

Apart from an uncomfortable 11th round, Lewis was able to work effectively behind his jab in the closing stages, but his patchy performance would have encouraged would-be challengers for his title, notably the World Boxing Association and International Boxing Federation champion Evander Holyfield.

Lewis admitted afterwards: "It was a no-win situation for me. I didn't know too much about him, and the fight was different to what we had expected. I thought he would do a lot of moving."

Lewis's American promoter Dino Duva said he would be

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contacting Holyfield and his promoter Don King today to renew attempts to set up a unification bout. "It will take Evander and his attorneys to have the balls to tell their promoter to take the fight. Lennox wants it, and I believe Evander does. The fans want it, and boxing needs it. But Don seems to want three heavyweight champions. He has to be made to stop screwing around," said Duva.

And then there is Mike Tyson. Discredited, certainly, and psychiatric tests will pronounce shortly on whether he is a psychotic screwball with no place in a boxing ring or a fit and proper person to resume his career. But he is still the biggest draw of all, and the Nevada State Athletic Commission will announce on Saturday if he is to be relicensed.

The widely held perception

of his B virus which forced the postponement of their first meeting, planned for June.

In that eventuality, Lewis would be expected to defend his title again in January. His manager Frank Maloney dismissed suggestions from Frank Warren that it could be against the World Boxing Organisation champion Herbie Hide.

"Frank Warren should get real. Hide is not even in the frame. He won't get a title shot fighting people like Willie Fischer (whom he stopped in two rounds on Saturday in Norwich). If he's serious, Herbie should go and fight Mavrovic and we'll see if he deserves a chance," said Maloney.

The former champion Michael Moore and the popular New Yorker Lou Savarese, who scored a one-round knockout win over Tyson's conqueror Buster Douglas in his last fight, have emerged as the most likely challengers to the Lewis crown.

And when Lewis goes back into training, it could be with a new man honing his skills. Whispers in Connecticut suggested all was not well between Lewis and Emanuel

Steward, who could be on the way out now.

Steward, who has been Lewis's trainer since the only defeat of the champion's professional career against Oliver McCall four years ago, chose to criticise his fighter on Saturday when the promotional spin doctors were trying to drum up praise.

"Lennox seemed to be getting a little fatigued early on," he said. "Then, I would have preferred Lennox to be a little more aggressive." And, tellingly, after openly criticising those in the Lewis camp earlier in the week who had suggested it would be an easy fight, he said: "Mavrovic is a tough guy. I knew he was a tough guy. You only need to look at his eyes to know he'd die rather than lose a fight. I'm glad he's behind us."

Whether or not Steward is also "behind" Lewis remains to be seen, but the champion would be well advised to recall that the last time he had a cheerleader rather than a critic in his corner, he lost. And against Holyfield — if the fight ever happens — he has been shown by Mavrovic beyond any doubt that he will need all the help he can get.

## 'Deeply upset' Di Canio to apologise for ref attack

**Russell Thomas**  
on the fall-out  
from Hillsborough's  
red-card day

**P**AOLO DI CANIO is expected to issue a public apology to protect his playing career, while Paul Alcock, the referee he assaulted, considers whether to give up officiating.

The Football Association has confirmed it will impose a gross misconduct charge on Di Canio, who has already been suspended indefinitely by his club Sheffield Wednesday, once it receives Alcock's report on the game in which the Italian sent the referee spinning to the ground after being sent off against Arsenal at Hillsborough.

The Wednesday forward can expect severe punishment when he appears before a FA disciplinary commission which has wide-ranging powers.

The Italian's extraordinary act could be punished with a ban approaching the eight months, a British record suspension, handed to Eric Cantona after his infamous kangaroo assault on a fan in 1995. That would put the 30-year-old Di Canio out for the season, jeopardising his future with Wednesday and, indeed, in the Premiership.

However distasteful Di Canio's action is, the commission will take into account any public expression of regret.

Yesterday, while Di Canio remained silent, his co-agent Matteo Roggi said the player was "deeply upset" and "will decide to issue an apology shortly".

The FA's chief executive Graham Kelly refused to

speculate on the outcome of the hearing. "It could be unfair for any commission that deals with a case and for the player himself because whatever he has done he deserves a fair hearing and we are always at pains to ensure that is done."

Meanwhile Alcock, described as "very shocked" by the Premier League referees' officer Philip Don, is considering his future in the game as he digests the incidents at Hillsborough, where he also sent off Arsenal's Martin Keown for his part in the scuffle with Di Canio that saw the Italian dismissed.

After the final whistle Arsenal's Patrick Vieira was claimed to have made a V-sign at home fans and allegedly been involved in an altercation with a policeman in the tunnel. Some eye witnesses claimed the officer put a hand on Vieira's shoulder and the player turned and lashed out in an instinctive reaction.

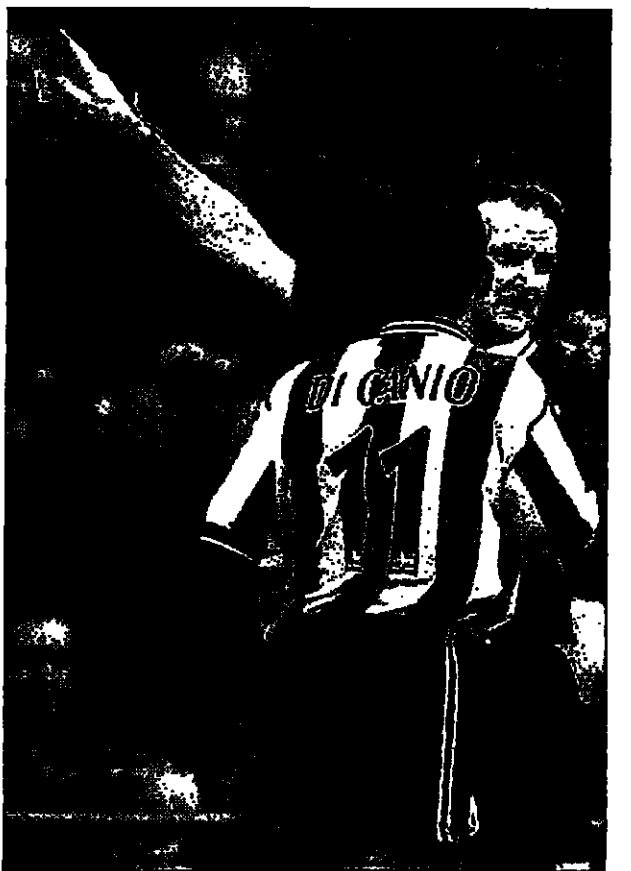
A South Yorkshire police spokesman said a report was being compiled and would be sent to the FA. A police prosecution has not been ruled out but is unlikely.

Don said: "I have spoken to Paul three times to give him support... it is something you don't expect to happen. He's obviously going to think about his future — whether he continues as a referee has entered his mind."

But, Don added: "I am sure I will see him rearing in the Premier League in a couple of weeks."

Keown, the third Arsenal player sent off this season, is likely to appeal against his dismissal, believing he was trying to act as a peacemaker.

Match report and David Lacey, page 15



The hair-trigger... Paolo Di Canio is shown the red card by Paul Alcock just before his push on the referee

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# Clogger

A sideways glance at soccer



The Steve McMahon Victim XI They all felt the lash of his tongue—or worse

## Their kit don't fit

No. 47 Nikos Dabizas

Let's get this straight. Footballers wear short shorts in mid-winter to show how tough they are. So on a hot autumn afternoon they put on a vest underneath to prove... what? The Greeks must have a word for it.

**Wendie Jones** Picked in autobiography as a bigger hard man than Paul Gascoigne. Collided with Steve's elbow at White Hart Lane.

**Roger Williams** Felled on McMahon's Swindon debut v. Southampton.

**Mark McGhee** Police called to tackle brawl in January 1998.

**Swindon fans** Lambasted for driving Steve and family away.

**Swindon players** Eight transfer-listed after Steve's return.

**Bobby Robinson** Signed for leaving out Steve and family away.

**John McGinley** Ignored warning not to touch McMahon's car.

**Joe Treweek** Ref. 15. Booked out of game for kicking McMahon's car.

**Howard Eagle** Clattering challenge led to red card for Steve, 1991.

**Ian St John** Fled Swindon boss by calling him "unprofessional".

## A life in pictures

George Graham



## Ask the experts

The earliest match to have occurred during the Brazil v Czechoslovakia match in the 1970 World Cup

Who placed the trademark goal celebration? The earliest match to have occurred during the Brazil v Czechoslovakia match in the 1970 World Cup.

act of play had such an effect that later in the tournament such goals as Rivaldo's, Pele, Zico and Rivaldo's followed suit.

**Mark Hughes, Liverpool**

Which player had the most extreme political views? While I have to say Rob Brown's story of a hoodlum saying "Romney's a right little fellow" is a bit of a stretch, it's a bit of a stretch to say he was a hoodlum.

## State of the nation

Germany

Population 80 million. Unlikely to win the Rapid Vienna, who won the "Greater German" championship in 1941, following Hitler's annexation of Austria in 1938.

Pioneer Bert Trautmann would be named by many as the first German in British football, but he was beaten to it by forty-year-olds. True, Max Seeburg played only once for Tottenham in 1908, but they all count.

Strangers in a strange land Manchester City's Elie Immet and Michael Frontzeck fled the Mainz Road wreckage without enhancing their reputations greatly. But then, who didn't? Once that got away if Tom Stoppard had written a play about Aston Villa in the early Nineties it might have been called Brecht's and Beinhelch are Dead. The two Berlin youngsters were released after fewer than 30 appearances between them. Beinhelch is now on the fringes of the national squad.

Don't mention the war Manchester City fans did, claiming in songs and on T-shirts that Uwe Rösler's grandfather had bombed Old Trafford. Rösler (right, with Brian Horton), who comes from Dresden, did not seem too upset, but United fans certainly were.

Super League's Bayern Munich, who take on United in the Champions League on Wednesday, have been valuable promoters of their increasingly mad supervisor Franz Beckenbauer ("everyone would make double or three times what they make today"). On the other hand, you can still see them play for DM10 (£3.00) at the Allianz Arena. Uwe Rösler's grandfather had bombed Old Trafford. Rösler (right, with Brian Horton), who comes from Dresden, did not seem too upset, but United fans certainly were.

## A-Z of British football

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Is for Gernot Strain. This fashionable injury of the 1990s has had to give back to the newly popular "cruciate ligament", but still retains a solid following.

Classic usage: "John Monson has a knee injury and Stan Lazaridis is GERNOT STRAIN. Harry Redknapp said: 'It's a nightmare'."

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## Refwatch

Mike Reed

Home town Birmingham. Mike Reed is a referee who has been in the game for 15 years. He is a former professional footballer and has been a referee for 15 years. He is a former professional footballer and has been a referee for 15 years.

## Off the park life

The footballer is just out of shot having got off a plane without knowing what he is letting himself in for.



The footballer is just out of shot having got off a plane without knowing what he is letting himself in for. Who is the mystery man, and who was he with? He was with his 1997 Foot, too, or e-mail your answer to the address below to win your chance of this month's new titles from the Football Book Club (0177-361 1606 for a catalogue). Please include a phone number.

## DAVID DAVIES' DIARY

David Davies, the Coventry defender, was slightly more forthcoming about the manager's future. "We are not worrying at all. The uncertainty has not filtered down to the players and the boss hasn't mentioned the situation. We just have to get on with what we are doing."



Future pointer... George Graham bowls at his Leeds team in the second half of their draw at White Hart Lane

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Premiership: Tottenham Hotspur 3 Leeds United 3

## Slight slip in Graham's defence

Russell Thomas

**WE WANT** our Tottenham back. It has been a constant refrain of White Hart Lane fans in this and so many other seasons of functional and unfulfilling football. For 90 exhilarating minutes at least, their wish was granted. In the extraordinary circumstances it was a diplomatic result and yet a triumph of entertainment.

It is no mystery that Graham's managerial abilities are being courted at great expense. He could not resist, amid much diplomatic plying, occasionally buttressing his CV. "We've been in a profession and it's called a winning profession. At all my clubs we've built a platform: let's win first, then put in the fair bits. It's been a big job up there and I'm proud of what I've achieved."

According to David Platt, that platform is effectively in place at White Hart Lane, partly shaped by the hunger of Spurs fans responding encouragingly to their team's fight back. The acting manager spoke with the passion of a fan who wants his football played out on the pitch rather than in the boardroom. "The people love football," he declared. "It's the people's game. The crowd knew they were getting an honest performance, we really went for the game. And I enjoyed the way we played with spirit... and we played the football too."

Platt's own infusion of spirit has seen Tottenham suffer only one defeat in six games under his caretaker-ship. "I honestly think the club's all right, but we need three players you know that the crowd knows that."

What had gone wrong in the past? "The club plays off the back foot a lot. Since the mid-eighties we've had water. For some reason we haven't kept pace. But it won't take much to get us back."

## Match stats

	Spurs	Leeds
Possession	50%	50%
Attempts on target	7	6
Attempts off target	6	8
Goals	3	3
Offsides	14	2
Bookings	3	2

## George breezes back into town

Vivek Chaudhary checks the temperature at a surprisingly conciliatory White Hart Lane

**T**HERE were two Georges in the news at the weekend. One was a hurricane that wreaked havoc through the Caribbean and Florida. The other was a manager whose possible arrival at Tottenham threatened to wreck havoc through north London.

In the end Hurricane George, the managerial version, proved more of a storm in a teacup as the expected onslaught of protests failed to materialise. All Spurs eyes were fixed on the man who once mar-

shalled the Arsenal enemy, but it was the Leeds fans, in the first half in particular, who vented their anger at their manager. Perhaps it is a sign of the desperation at Spurs that opinion is divided over Graham's likely appointment.

When the Leeds fans got to their feet and chanted "Stand up if you want the truth", few of the home fans joined them. The truth is something that Spurs fans probably do not want to be confronted with. The thought of having a

Charlton Athletic 1 Coventry City 1

## Whelan cashes in put Coventry soon let their lead slip

Mark Tallentire

**MAYBE** George Graham should take a leaf out of the Coventry manager Gordon Strachan's book when it comes to talking about the situation-vacant column.

"Never say never" had been the Leeds manager's response to the suggestion that Tottenham's vacancy might be the job for him. "Don't insult my intelligence" was Strachan's retort to the idea that he may have contemplated filling Graham's shoes at Elland Road. Maybe the prospect of working for his former club was not as enticing as some have considered it to be.

Leicester City 1 Wimbledon 1

## Elliott draws strength

Derek Potter

**F**OR just 12 minutes yesterday Wimbledon were in second place — more likely seventh heaven — in the Premiership. For Leicester to finally draw that means little on paper for them but much in terms of morale.

Until Robbie Earle scored his second goal of the season in the 75th minute and Matt Elliott headed Leicester's equaliser three minutes from time it seemed that nothing would emerge from a largely lifeless match.

There were careless and dull spells that, until the goals, left a refereeing decision by Alan Wylie that spared Leicester's goalkeeper Kasey Keller a red card as the major topic.

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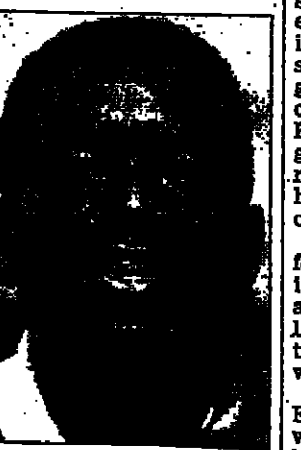
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Last week's answer Andy Gray was on his way to the FA disciplinary commission who fined him £75. Winner Bill Threlkley of Croydon.

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Earle... darted in



Wimbledon's striker Efan Ekoku could be out for two weeks with a hamstring problem which led to his replacement after 45 minutes.



Football

Premiership: Sheffield Wednesday 1 Arsenal 0

# Di Canio puts rage in outrageous

Trevor Haylett on the violent incidents that disgraced the game at Hillsborough

**A**MID all the rumours and half-truths emanating from Hillsborough on Saturday afternoon there was no suggestion that the home side's dressing-room door had become detached from its hinges nor any hint that what was once a glass mirror was now a thousand pieces on the floor. Paolo Di Canio finally had his dangerously combustible temper under control.

**Match stats**

	Sheff Wed	Arsenal
Possession	51%	49%
Attempts on target	4	7
Attempts off target	5	3
Goals	1	0
Fouls	14	11
Offsides	6	6
Bookings	1	3
Sendings-off	1	1

away from the next explosive outburst. At the end of this mad, sad affair the Arsenal midfielder appeared to direct abusive hand-signs at the Wednesday supporters and was alleged to have hit a police officer in the tunnel.

Clearly Di Canio has guaranteed himself a long ban with his disgraceful two-handed assault on the referee Paul Alcock, having just been shown the red card for his violent clash with Martin Keown. As part of its investigation the Football Association will now study the evidence against Vieira and he too may be the subject of serious sanction.

English football, so willing to embrace Continental flair and charisma, is paying a price for that open-door policy because many of the new-comers too easily fly off the handle. Where Di Canio and Vieira now rampage, so too did Eric Cantona before them.

Like the former Manchester United head, who received an eight-month ban



Flashpoint... Wednesday's Paolo Di Canio lashes out at Arsenal in a prelude to his sending-off

PHOTOGRAPH: STUART MACFARLANE

for his flying kick at a Crystal Palace supporter in 1995, there can be no excuse for Di Canio's outrage no matter the provocation that he alleged to have made his angry way off the field, cursing and gesturing and brushing aside his own manager's attempt to placate him.

Wednesday immediately suspended their star attacker for an indefinite period until the FA has decided what punishment to impose. It is a matter of doubt whether we will see the temperamental Italian in the Premiership again.

"He totally lost it for a split second and I don't know what

was going through his head," said Danny Wilson. "We immediately suspended him so that people understand that we recognise the severity of the incident, and we will back the FA in whatever they choose to do."

After a recent public falling-out with Di Canio, Wilson had made efforts to heal the breach and only 24 hours before this game declared that peace had broken out. Headlines he felt betrayed by what went on but was more concerned at the damage his player had done to the game and the handicap he left his team-mates, who nevertheless

went on to inflict Arsenal's first defeat of the season through a last-minute goal.

The 44th-minute uproar came after Vieira, hounded by Wim Jonk outside the Arsenal penalty area, reacted to the Dutchman tugging on his shirt and bowled him over. Players descended on the scene from all corners and Di Canio and Keown began grappling like school children in the playground. The Italian was the first to be shown the red card and reacted by pushing the Kent official to the ground.

It could be argued that Keown was unlucky to go too,

that he was merely acting as a peacemaker. Yet fending off his opposite number with a raised forearm while holding on to the neck of his shirt cannot further the cause of peace and Alcock was right to show him the red card as well.

It was a great shame that the unseemly episode completely overshadowed a contest which in the second half, with more space in which to play, became a wonderfully free-flowing contest with goalscoring chances at both ends.

The goalkeepers were magnificent. Kevin Pressman blocking Ray Parlour's early surge, extending a leg to deny

Dennis Bergkamp and then plunging to his right to divert Nicolas Anelka's low shot, and Alex Manninger making an acrobatic stop from Emerson Thome, who thought he had headed Wednesday in front.

Wednesday's substitute Lee Briscoe then missed from a far simpler opening but was spared any lasting embarrassment when in the 90th minute he delicately flighted a dipper beyond David Seaman's stand-in. It was a goal which deserved to monopolise the post-match discussion but it became incidental to football's latest controversy.

Newcastle United 2 Nottingham Forest 0

## It takes all sorts

Harry Pearson

**A**S THE travelogue cliché would have it, the Premiership is a land of contrasts. No two men illustrate this notion better than Ruud Geulit, manager of Newcastle United, and his counterpart at the City Ground, Dave Bassett.

There is something cheerily old-fashioned about Bassett. He reminds you of one of those uncles who would take you for a kickabout in the garden on a Kikkaboo Day when the other adults were slumped in front of the Queen's Speech.

After this entertaining game the Forest boss sported a club blazer and grey-tinted glasses. His face had the pinkish hue of the freshly scrubbed, his neat blond hair was sharply parted and held firmly in place by maily unguents.

Bassett is a man of action. At rest is not his natural state. When stationary he has the perpetual air of someone who is on the verge of breaking into a trot or doing a couple of dozen squat-thrusts. So,

answering the questions at St James' Park with courtesy, candour and no little humour, Bassett never quite dispelled the feeling that he was in a hurry to be somewhere else.

When he left he bustled across the room giving off an odour of talcum powder and shaving cream. As he passed he la-la-la'd a merry tune.

In a film you feel the role of Bassett would be taken by Kenneth Connor. Geulit on the other hand would play himself, if only because no actor will ever be found who is quite glamorous enough for the part. On Saturday he sauntered in confidently wearing a chocolate-brown suit, matching suede shoes, a coffee-latte coloured shirt and a bronze shotalk tie. Bassett swigged Lucozade straight from the plastic bottle, the Magpies' manager had a glass of sparkling mineral water.

Like all stars the Forest boss has the habit of appearing far larger than he actually is. Given that the Newcastle manager is actually pretty big to begin with, this means that his appearance can make even a

sparingly populated room seem suddenly overcrowded.

After the game somebody put it to him that at times during the match things "had been quite hairy" for the home side. Geulit frowned, thought for a moment, then shook his head. "What is that hairy?" he inquired.

Presumably it was the idiom which had confused him rather than anything he had witnessed on the pitch. For although it would be a mistake to say that victory flattered a Newcastle team for whom Alan Shearer, whether scoring his two goals, flattening defenders or subjecting the linesmen to torrents of invective, seemed like a man rejuvenated, it was true to say that the Magpies' goal-keeper Shay Given did more than enough to merit his Man of the Match award.

"Technically, and tactically," Geulit said, "but on the pitch and in training we are giving very positive vibes."

"Some of our finishing today was crap," said Bassett.

Aston Villa 1 Derby County 0

## Gregory vindicated by Barry's sense of timing

David Lacey



**A**FTER a weekend dominated by football's mad dog tendency it is comforting to find the Premiership still led by a team made up almost entirely of Englishmen who are not behaving as if they have had a touch of the sun. Even Stan Collymore managed to play out the last five minutes of Aston Villa's game against Derby County.

A lapse in midfield by Alan Thompson allowed Lars Bohinen to set up a Derby counter-attack. As Villa struggled to get back, the Norwegian found Dean Sturridge in a position to use his acceleration to bear down on goal.

In this sort of situation the modern defender can hardly win. Against a fast-moving forward even a legal tackle risks a penalty and a red card if the opponent goes down, but to hold off simply makes it easier for him to score.

Garrett Barry, however, was in no such dilemma. The 17-year-old dispossessed Sturridge as coolly and cleanly as you please, confirming the impression that he is as exciting an English prospect in defence as was Michael Owen in

attack. His interest in the match was ended by a tweaked Achilles tendon after 64 minutes. Simon Grayson, a useful utility, took his place but the youngster's premature departure was a reminder of how thin Gregory's playing resources are.

Barry's success has vindicated the Villa manager's judgment in giving the teenager a chance, but injuries or suspensions in other positions would leave Gregory with a weak hand. The club have plenty of money as a result of selling Dwight Yorke to Manchester United for £12.6 million and the squad will need strengthening sooner rather than later.

The immediate effect of the team's good start to the season is that Gregory need not rush into the transfer market to pay inflated prices for ordinary players. So long as the spine of the side, from Bosnich through Scott and Ebligh to Ian Taylor and Merson, remains intact the Villa manager can bide his time.

Whether Villa will be in the market for another striker will depend on the success of Collymore's latest comeback. Whatever happened in a Paris bar during the summer he remains an icon to the Villa faithful, who gave him a standing ovation simply for removing his tracksuit bottoms as a prelude to replacing Julian Joachim late in the game.

Maybe the combination of Merson and Collymore will be as successful as Collymore's partnership with Bryan Roy was at Nottingham Forest. If that happened, Villa's challenge would have to be regarded as something other than an autumn curiosity.

Merson won this match with a sharp piece of opportunism on the quarter-hour. Hesitancy by Bohinen allowed Joachim to win possession and although Lee Carsley was quick to cover back he diverted the ball into the path of Merson, who hastened away to slip the ball past Russell Hoult.

"It was the best pass of the match," said Jim Smith wryly but not altogether wrongly. Derby, weakened defensively by injuries to Igor Stimac and Stefan Schnoor, played well enough after half-time to avoid their first defeat of the season but in the end only confirmed Villa's resilience.



Gregory... good judgment

Everton 0 Blackburn Rovers 0

## Smith's defensive Everton are the bores of the draw

Ian Ross

**T**HE supporters deserved a better, far better. The afternoon deserved better too. From azure skies the milky sunshine raised temperature, spirits and expectations. Enter the gladiators, piped in, as tradition demands at Goodison Park, by that timeless refrain from the Carrs.

And then? Well, sadly, the demoralising, sweeping realisation that in football the only things that ever happen overnight are hikes in admission prices and the sale of favoured sons. Revivals do take a little bit longer.

Here it was in all its garish finery: if not the game from hell then one plucked from an equally down-trodden, neighbouring suburb.

Twenty minutes from the glorious release of full-time, the Everton manager Walter Smith batted from his chair in the directors' box and headed for the door and the touchline for a spot of much-needed player-baiting. Some one shouted: "Don't go, Walter, at least stay until the end."

Humour, particular of the sarcastic or self-deprecating variety, is the best kind of companion on days such as this.

Smith was probably contemplating placing yet another brick in Everton's impenetrable defence. Since his arrival on Merseyside the former Rangers manager has become a disciple of those who preach the doctrine of safety

first, those members of the managerial brotherhood who delight at the very mention of a clean sheet.

It had been announced on Friday that Blackburn Rovers would be without their three first-choice strikers, Chris Sutton, Kevin Davies and Kevin Gallacher, through injury and illness. Smith's response was to include four centre-backs and two full-backs: safety first, second and third.

Needless to say Blackburn did not create a solitary opening all afternoon as their shackles forward line perished upon the bulky blue line like flies on a wall.

Duncan Ferguson hit a post for Everton but that was as close as this apology for entertainment came to shifting out of first gear.

Four home league games, no goals for Everton so far this season. So why is Mikael Madar confined to the main stand for every game?

Madar may be a posing French show-pony who has come to represent almost everything Smith detests in a modern player but he is his club's best finisher and it was his goals which steered Everton away from relegation four months ago.

The afternoon did yield one moment of drama, 12 minutes from the end when Blackburn's Martin Dahlin was sent off for violently elbowing Marco Materazzi. Those who take delight in such base behaviour jeered loudly. Those with higher ideals and aspirations had already left.

## Double defends French doctor over Neville World Cup injection

**T**HE FA has denied that there was anything mysterious about injections administered to at least two Manchester United players, including Gary Neville, on England duty during the World Cup.

After it emerged that Neville was given mineral and vitamin boosts by a French doctor, Yann Rougier, three hours before the second-round match against Argentina, United's manager Alex Ferguson wrote to the FA demanding an explanation.

Steve Double, the FA's spokesman, said: "Individual club doctors were informed towards the end of last season that players involved in the World Cup would undergo blood tests to assess vitamin and mineral levels."

"Because the England players come together to work in a concentrated training camp we need to have a system that all the players can use, rather than the one put forward by individual clubs."

"Dr Rougier is a respected doctor, who works with some of the top clubs in Europe, including Monaco and Milan."

Rougier defended the injections, saying: "The minerals and vitamins I use protect the muscles and will have excellent long-term effects."



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## FA Carling Premiership

	Home						Away							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Aston Villa	7	4	0	0	7	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	7	17
Derby	7	2	1	0	3	0	1	2	1	3	3	3	3	12
Wimbledon	7	2	1	0	6	3	1	2	1	5	6	2	12	
Newcastle	7	2	1	1	7	4	1	1	1	6	3	6	11	
Man Utd	6	3	1	0	10	3	0	1	1	0	3	4	11	
Leeds	7	2	1	0	4	0	0	4	0	4	4	4	11	
Liverpool	7	1	2	0	5	3	2	0	2	7	6	3	11	
Chelsea	6	2	2	0	5	2	1	0	1	5	5	3	11	
Arsenal	7	2	1	0	5	1	0	3	1	1	2	3	10	
Sheff Wed	7	2	0	2	4	2	1	0	2	4	3	3	9	
West Ham	6	1	1	1	5	5	1	2	0	1	0	1	9	
Middlesbrough	7	0	3	0	3	3	2	0	2	5	5	0	9	
Tottenham	7	1	1	2	5	10	1	1	1	3	4	-6	8	
Charlton	7	1	1	1	7	3	0	3	1	4	7	1	7	
Everton	7	0	3	1	0	1	1	1	1	4	4	-1	7	
Nottm Forest	7	1	1	1	1	2	1	0	3	4	7	-4	7	
Leicester	7	1	2	1	4	3	0	1	2	2	5	-2	6	
Blackburn	7	1	1	1	4	4	0	1	3	1	6	-5	6	
Coventry	7	1	1	1	3	6	0	1	3	1	6	-8	5	
Southampton	6	0	1	2	3	5	0	0	3	0	12	-14	1	

## Premiership results

Aston Villa (1-1) Derby (0-0)	Middlesbrough (1-2) Coventry (0-0)	Sheff Wed (0-1) Arsenal (0-0)	Blackburn (1-1) Wimbledon (0-1)
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## Non-league

CONFERENCE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cheltenham	12	8	3	1	28	12	27
St Albans	12	5	2	5	18	24	17
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## Nationwide League

FIRST DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sheff Wed	10	6	1	3	18	12	19
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## Scotland

PREMIER LEAGUE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rangers	10	6	1	3	18	12	19
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## Europe

ITALY	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Inter Milan	10	6	1	3	18	12	19
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## Nationwide round-up

### First Division

**SUNDERLAND** moved back to the top on goals scored after a 1-1 draw at Portsmouth courtesy of a late equaliser from Allan Johnston. Kevin Phillips, had trailed to a first-half goal from Sunny Isaac when Scot picked up a loose ball seven minutes from time and drove it past Aaron Flahavan.

"We have played against the best team in the league and deserved to get something more out of it," said Pompey's manager Alan Ball.

Bradford's Gordon Watson ended more than 18 months of anguish by scoring both goals in a 2-1 win over visiting Barnsley. The striker suffered an horrendous knee injury in a challenge with Huddersfield's Kevin Gray in February 1997 and although action for compensation is still proceeding he came off the bench to cancel out Ashley Ward's goal three minutes from time and then hit a winner on the whistle.

"Everyone in football must be pleased that Gordon is on a comeback," said Bradford's manager Paul Jewell.

### Second Division

**STOKE** City's lead was set to three points after a surprisingly emphatic 3-1 home defeat by Blackpool at Britannia Stadium.

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### Third Division

**IRON** resolve brought about a change of leaders with Scunthorpe displacing Darlington after their first away win against Brighton since the Sixties.

Darren Stamp's headed double sent the Lincolnshire Scunthorpe in front and added their third in the 59th minute.

Darlington's sojourn at the summit was cut short by Brentford who, with their £750,000 signing from Crystal Palace, Hermann Hreidarsson, strengthening the defence, scored three without reply.

### Fourth Division

**SHREWSBURY** Town received an unexpected boost to morale at Gay Meadow. The bottom team looked set for another defeat when their former striker Ian Stevens scored three minutes from the end, but Steve Kerrigan hit a last-gasp equaliser to earn the home side only their fifth point of the season.

They are now only two points behind Hull, who were beaten by Wycombe's second-half double at Mansfield.



Beadstrong... Sunderland's Danielle Dicho gets the better of a challenge with John Aloisi of Pompey

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Football

Premiership: Crystal Palace 1 Sheffield United 0

# Fan helps Curcic pick lock on a day of all the nations

Trevor Haylett

AS IF to point up the polyglot nature of English football, a Chinese man yesterday laid on a cross for a native of Yugoslavia to deliver the goal that decided a game in south London.

In the congratulatory huddle that formed round Sasa Curcic after his emphatic strike with 15 minutes left were an Australian and an Italian while an Argentinean applauded from the bench. Terry Venables is making good use of his travels as an international coach.

Curcic's half-time arrival brought a new dimension to Palace's previously sluggish attempts to capitalise on their neat approach play. Although the Serb can be an infuriating performer, he maintains the ability to decide a tight struggle such as this.

Undoubtedly Palace were helped by the 39th-minute dismissal of the United midfielder Ian Hamilton, who had begun the afternoon with a storming drive which clipped the top of the crossbar with a

mere 13 seconds on the clock. Booked soon afterwards, Hamilton was asking for trouble when he held back Hayden Mullins, although it was a clumsy foul which, with a different referee from Paul Taylor, might have escaped such censure.

The United manager Steve Bruce said: "I'm not looking for excuses but I don't think that was worthy of a sending-off and it changed the game around."

United have not won away for 10 months and here again they failed in front of goal. Dean Saunders, superbly found by the raiding Vassilis Borboki, could do no better than direct his header into the side-netting when well placed. In the second half Graham Stuart, having gathered Gareth Taylor's through-pass, hesitated and enabled Fraser Digby to make the save.

Palace will stay in a transitory phase for a bit longer yet and their supporters will have to show patience. The Venables revolution has not been helped by injury and illness, which yesterday cost him the services of his brightest striker, Matt Jansen. But

there was still a glimpse of a promising future.

The deep centre after a powerful left-wing run to pave the way for Curcic's goal was not the only good thing achieved by the Chinese newcomer Fan Zhiyi. The audience watching live on television back home in Asia would also have thrilled to a resounding header, which came close to scoring.

Seeing Bruce stagger into the post-match press-room afterwards, fatigued and with scars crossing his face, was no advertisement for the role of player-manager: "We haven't won away from home since November last year but, if we play like we did today, then that's fair enough."

At least the old Manchester United war-horse was able to return home with the Man of the Match champagne, recognition for a couple of timely interventions early on when Attilio Lombardo found space down the right.

● The kick-off was delayed when a parachutist, part of a team delivering the match ball to Selhurst Park, fell awkwardly and sustained a suspected broken leg.



Twice bitten... Bolton's Nathan Blake, amid a bemused Huddersfield defence, follows up his shot to score the second goal on Saturday

Wolverhampton Wanderers 1 Bury 0

## Bullblows away storm clouds over McGhee

Ron Warrilow

STEVE BULL's predatory skills have often pulled Wolves from the brink of disaster and he charged to the rescue again on Saturday to disperse the storm clouds gathering over his manager Mark McGhee.

Wolves are desperate to get back into big-time football but a disappointing run of six games without a win had cast doubts over their promotion potential and brought jeers from frustrated fans.

The visit to Molineux of a Bury team boasting the meanest defence in the division

could not have provided McGhee with a harder task but it was a day when Wolves finally got back to maximum points.

McGhee's men never stopped testing the Bury wall for defects and their determination finally reaped its reward in the 66th minute when the dangerous Bull claimed his 250th league goal.

The Australian international defender Kevin Muscat finally got it right when he fired a perfect cross into the middle for Bull to power a header past the helpless Dean Kiely.

"We had to keep prodding

and probing and we eventually produced a reasonable bit of quality and got the all-important goal," said the relieved McGhee.

"We have no divine right to think Bury are a team we should beat by two or three goals. We knew because of their record this season we had to work hard to try to grind out a goal."

The crucial strike by the 33-year-old Bull, who had been struggling all week with the knee injury that kept him out of Wolves' Worthington Cup defeat by Bournemouth, was only the third conceded in the league this term by Neil Warnock's unexpected high-fliers.

Bolton Wanderers 3 Huddersfield Town 0

## Rasher moments reveal porkies

Michael Walker sees the First Division pretenders' lack of quality players exposed

THE old saying about the league table not telling a lie was revealed as a fairly outrageous porky several miles outside Bolton on Saturday. It was not the Wanderers' doing, even if there is still something false and unsatisfactory about their no longer playing in their town, no, the fibbing here was Huddersfield Town's responsibility.

The Terriers arrived at the home of the Trotters as leaders of the Football League, a post-

capability and thousands crossed into Lancashire to witness it. Hope was in their hearts. Sadly for the Yorkshiremen, embarrassment replaced hope as the companion on the journey back, told by far, they and Sunderland are at the top and the rest are scrambling for four places — 10, maybe 12 teams. Hopefully we can be one of them."

That realism extended to Jackson's unpretentious analysis of this result: "They have better-quality players. It showed today."

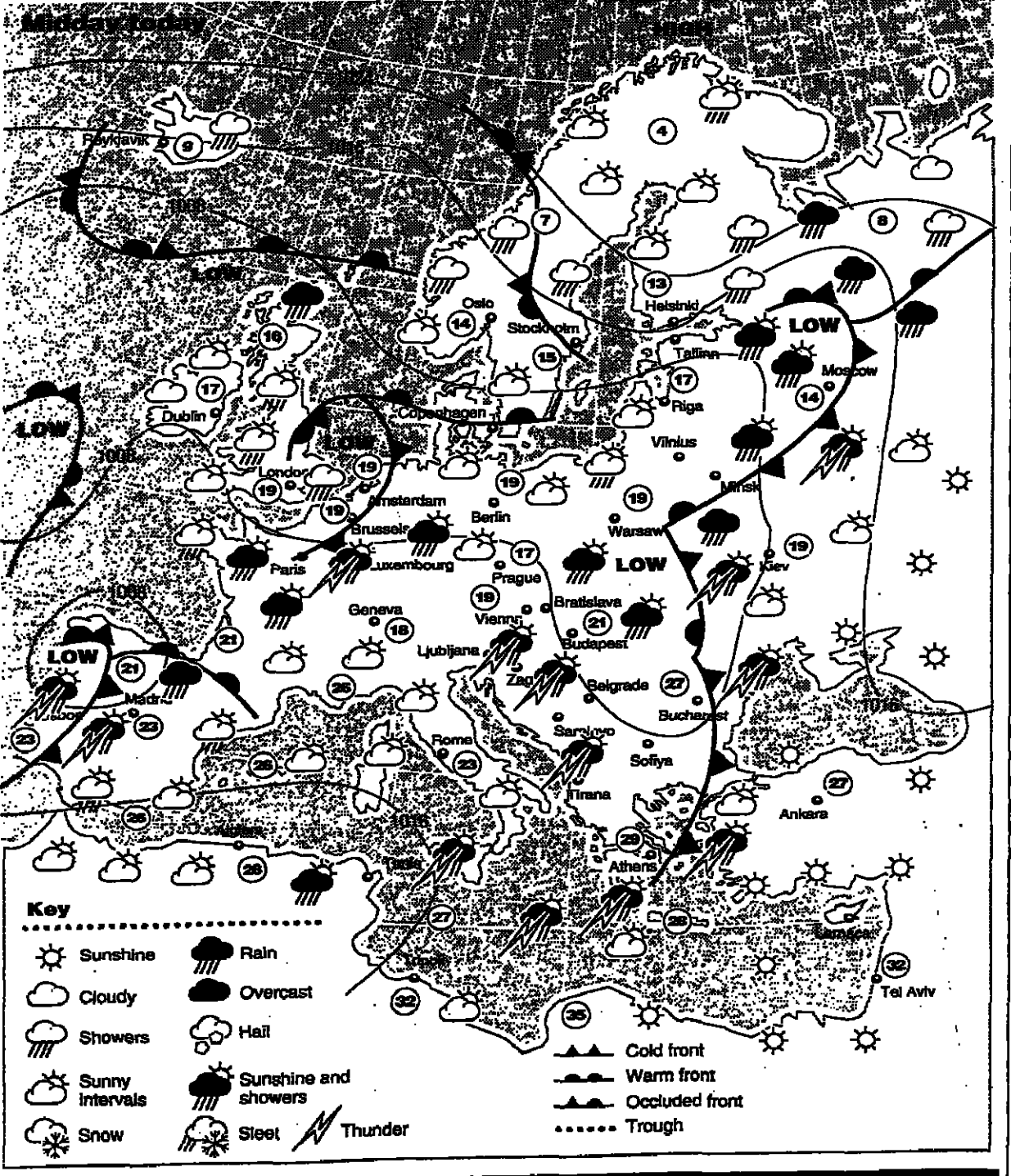
If certainly did, and from a Huddersfield perspective too swiftly. It may have taken

Bolton 15 minutes to break through and 10 more to make it two but Colin Todd's side could have been five ahead by then.

At the centre of the Town defence, Sam Collins and Kevin Gray were exposed for what they are: respectively, a through-the-ranks 21-year-old from Pontefract and a former Mansfield Town player. Up against Nathan Blake and Arnar Gunnlaugsson, one felt for them.

Collins and Gray looked like self-conscious adolescents being taught ballroom dancing and Gunnlaugsson in particular was happy to wait around them.

### The weather in Europe



### European outlook

**Central Norway and Sweden** will be cloudy with rain and central parts of Norway will be breezy. However, the rest of Scandinavia will be dry with sunbursts at times. Highs from 3-5C in the north, up to 15-17C over Denmark.

**Low Countries, Germany, Austria, Switzerland**  
The Low Countries, Switzerland and Austria will have heavy showers or rain. Germany will be mainly dry with sunny spells, although showers will edge into western areas during the day. Highs 10-15C.

**France**  
Northern parts of France will have a lot of cloud with showers or longer spells of rain, but the west will move steadily eastwards during the day with sunbursts and a few showers spreading from the west. Southern France will be largely dry with sunny spells, but some rain will have some showers. Highs 15-20C in many areas, but up to 25C along the Riviera.

**Spain and Portugal**  
Windy and wet weather will spread across northern and central parts of Spain and Portugal. Some of the rain will be thundery. Eastern and southern Spain will be mainly dry with sunbursts and a few showers. Highs 15-20C in many areas, but up to 25C along the Riviera.

**Italy**  
Southern and eastern Italy will have some heavy and thundery showers, but these will clear leaving mainly sunny weather with warm sunbursts in many places by the afternoon. Highs 20-27C.

**Greece**  
Northern-western parts of Greece will become unsettled with heavy showers and thundery rain. However, southern and eastern areas will stay dry and very warm. Highs 25-30C (77-86F).

### Around the world

Location	Temp	Wind	Cloud	Precip
Algeria	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Amman	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Amsterdam	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Athens	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Auckland	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Bahia	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Bangkok	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Bombay	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Buenos Aires	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Calcutta	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Cardiff	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Cape Town	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Chennai	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Chicago	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Copenhagen	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Dublin	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Edinburgh	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Faro	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Frankfurt	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Glasgow	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Hamburg	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Helsinki	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Hong Kong	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Hyderabad	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Imbabi	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Jakarta	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Johannesburg	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Kuala Lumpur	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Lima	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Lisbon	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
London	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Los Angeles	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
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Miami	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Moscow	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Mumbai	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Nairobi	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
New Delhi	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
New York	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Osaka	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Paris	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
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Singapore	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Stockholm	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Sydney	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Taipei	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Tokyo	22-27	10-15	Partly	None
Toronto	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Ulaanbaatar	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Warsaw	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Wellington	15-18	10-15	Cloudy	None
Yokohama	22-27	10-15	Partly	None

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**BBC 2**  
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## Rugby Union

Premiership: Bath 21 Gloucester 16

## Enigma Catt offers Woodward no variation

Robert Armstrong on a dispiriting day for an England coach seeking skills

**C**LIVE WOODWARD drew the short straw with his visit to the Recreation Ground for what turned out to be a strangely passionless West Country derby. The England coach, who announces his squad for November's World Cup qualifiers this week, will have noted that Bath survived owing chiefly to the leadership of a Welshman, Richard Webster, while Gloucester had the former France captain Philippe Saint-André to thank for their admirable tenacity.

Woodward's quest for England-qualified half-backs with the ability to shape and control a high-pressure contest proved fruitless on a rain-swept afternoon that saw back-row forwards keep the playmakers in a stranglehold.

Ultimately Bath, having backed to Bath's past achievements even though it's now a completely different game. The important thing, though, is that we won.

It took Bath only 12 minutes to forge ahead through Adeyade Adeyade, who seized on a fumbled pass and sprinted 40 metres to the left corner. Next Catt kicked a couple of excellent long-range penalty goals before long-range scores at the posts.

Within minutes Gloucester's Simon Mannix cut the lead back to 18-5, charging down Matt Perry's slow-motion kick before racing home for an excellent try.

However, Gloucester had only a drop goal and a penalty goal by Maplett to show for their prodigious second-half effort before Saint-André, with six minutes left, scored a marvellous try with a break from the edge of the box.

By then Catt had kicked his third penalty goal which effectively secured the win.

**SCORERS:** Bath: Try: Adeyade, Long. Conversion: Catt. Gloucester: Try: Mannix. Conversion: Maplett. Drop goals: Maplett. Bath: Paul, Evans, Mages, de Glendon, Adeyade (halfway, 50m), Catt, Nicot, Hinton (50m, 55), Long (50m, 77), Mallett, Redman, Surman, Thomas, Webster (capt, 50m), Peters, Gloucester: Culling, Jewell, Young, Mannix, Saint-André, Maplett, Senior, Windo (50m, 60), Greening (50m, 62), O'Connell, Carter, Devaux (50m, 72).

Referee: N. Vain (Manchester).

**Bedford 23 Leicester 32**

## Grim reality of the Blues

Robert Kitson

**A**PPROACHING Bedford's Golding Road Ground on Saturday it was tempting to recall the Blues Brothers where the boys try to publicise their reunion concert.

As they drive hopefully through the countryside in search of possible punters, with a large megaphone attached to the car roof, even the most unlikely passers-by eventually get the message. It worked in the movie but Bedford are rooted in grim reality, hence the distinct impression from their chief executive Geoff Cooke's post-match remarks, that the Blues' best performance of the season may end up as merely the prelude to the club's darkest hour.

This often gripping contest was watched by 4,169 people, considering that perhaps a third were Tigers fans and the home side's commercial department had budgeted pre-season for a 7,000 sell-out was a day for Cooke to shrug his shoulders modestly and accept considerable praise for marshalling such a vibrant performance in the wake of Paul Turner's departure as coach, instead his shrug was of the resigned variety.

"I thought there was the potential fan base here but I'm beginning to seriously doubt it," he said. "We've got a core following but we seem to find it very difficult to extend our net."

And so today Cooke will meet his players, go over the usual debriefing territory then wait and see. With the club's owner Frank Warren hammering on his January court case with the American boxing promoter Don King, the next pay-day is looming and no alternative backer has emerged.

Notwithstanding the loyal sentiments of Bedford's captain Rudi Strauß - "If this squad break up, they'll take the club and clubhouse with them" - another wages shortfall could even force the over-loaded Cooke to consider his position. "I have a contract here for the next three years. If my contract is honoured I will see it through," he said.

At least this was a tasty game. The leaders Leicester trailed 22-22 with 12 minutes left, only for a penalty from Tim Stimpson and a close-range injury-time try from Neil Back, on as a replacement, to rescue their unbeaten record. Almost all the youngsters members of the Bedford side enhanced their reputations and the most satisfaction that Leicester's manager Dean Richards could draw was the result.

Driving into Bedford past the grandly named Coombe Avenue and the garage offering a free Mars bar, it had been tempting to believe the East Midlands planets might just be in alignment for once. For everyone's sake they need to be this week.

**SCORERS:** Bedford: Try: Forster, Murdoch. Conversion: Howard. Leicester: Try: Stimpson, Back, Ewells, Pottier, penalty try, Back. Conversion: Stimpson. Bedford: S. Howard; Underwood, Murdoch, Evans, O'Mahony, Yapp, Vernon, Broad (capt, Foster, Wheeler, Cocks, Smith, Murray, Duke (captain), 23, Boyd, Richards, Vasey, Leake, Stimpson, Lloyd, Pottier, P. Howard, Ewells, Stranely, Hamilton, Jolley (50m, 79), Cocks (50m, 80), Carter, Jones (capt, Van Housden, Gurnard, Moody (50m, 80), Conry. Referee: G. White (Cheltenham).



Break point... Newcastle's Gary Armstrong bursts through but the main thing to break was the champions' unbeaten home league record going back to January 1966

Newcastle 21 London Irish 23

## O'Shea kicks champions in teeth

Ian Mallin

**L**ONDON IRISH obviously enjoy bracing September trips to the North-east coast. A fortnight ago they reached up 44 points at West Hartlepool. Yesterday the champions Newcastle were less predictably blown away in an astonishing finish at Gateshead.

Two minutes into stoppage time the Exiles, five points adrift, won a line-out and moved the ball swiftly to their right-wing Simon Berridge, who slipped a pass to his overlapping full-back Conor O'Shea. The Irish captain dived over to equalise in the corner.

O'Shea, regaining his breath, converted left-footed from the touchline - "I think the adrenalin had taken over at that stage" - the whistle blew moments later and Newcastle had suffered their first home league defeat since Wakefield won at Kingston Park in January 1986.

Indeed the Irish themselves had conceded 46 points there at the beginning of the year and needed to win relegation play-offs against Rotherham little more than four months ago to survive in this exalted company. They travelled north weakened by injuries and early in the second half were 18-10 down when their regular kicker Niall Woods departed with an injured arm.

Until then they had scrapped and spoiled and given away countless penalties but after the interval Newcastle could manage only a penalty from Jonny Wilkinson while O'Shea's penalties clipped away at their lead. Newcastle resorted to pumping the ball aimlessly into the air via Wilkinson, Rob Andrew and Gary Armstrong and the Irish sniffed blood.

But Newcastle's real problem lay with their scrum. With Paul Van-Zandvliet injured and the South African Martin Hurter not due until November, they had to play two loose-heads. "We had a lot of problems in the scrum. Having no platform caused us to make mistakes elsewhere

in the field," said Newcastle's captain Dean Ryan.

"Hurter can't get here fast enough as far as I'm concerned but it's pointless saying we should have more cover. We haven't got an extra half-million pounds to spend. We had our backs to the wall. London Irish were fired up. They're a tidy, abrasive outfit and they put us under a lot of scrutiny."

Newcastle are certainly not the side they were last season. They also missed the physical presence of Valaig's Fulgema in the centre, where Andrew is playing a holding role, and the departure of the flanker Pat Lam to Northampton leaves them short of another attacking option. While

across town Roud Gullit's team are playing something approaching sexy football, the Falcons are playing barely titillating rugby.

The writing was on the wall as early as the 11th minute when Irish's 19-year-old scrum-half Kieran Campbell sniped over for a try from a scrum. Tony Underwood replied with a well-taken score after a perfectly weighted pass from Wilkinson but the 18th-minute try was to be the only time the Exiles' line was breached.

Newcastle did score another try, a penalty try after the Irish had infringed once too often for the referee Ashley Rowden.

Van-Zandvliet will not play again this year after suffering whiplash when his car was hit by an army tank transporter but Newcastle will soon have their Kiwi flanker Richard Arnold back after the death of his father in New Zealand. As usual, real life puts sporting problems in perspective.

**SCORERS:** Newcastle: Try: Underwood, penalty try. Conversion: Wilkinson. Penalties: Wilkinson. London Irish: Try: Campbell. Conversion: Woods. O'Shea. Penalties: Woods, O'Shea. Newcastle: Legg, Mayor, Shaw, Andrew, Underwood, Wilkinson, Armstrong, Poplewell, Headle, Graham (50m, 80m), Archer, West, Walton, O'Neill, Ryan (capt). London Irish: O'Shea (capt), Berridge, Todd, Vasey, Woods (50m, 40), Jones (50m, 57), Campbell, Poplewell (50m, 58m), Kieran (50m, 73), Harwood (50m, 58), Murray, O'Kelly, Spicer, Dawson, Berridge. Referee: A. Rowden (Berkshire).

Wasps 71 West Hartlepool 14

## Tries all round as Wasps run up a record

Hugh Godwin

**S**OMETHING finally went right for West Hartlepool yesterday at 4.15pm when their outside-half Steven Vile wriggled to the try-line from a scrum in the Wasps 22 before trotting back to add the conversion.

The rest of the day was a write-off for West. Their player-coach, the former All Black Mike Brewer, read the riot act for 10 minutes afterwards and, to nobody's surprise, refused to face the press.

Motorway delays had meant West's team coach, Andrew Peacock (for an arrived barely half an hour

before kick-off, then injury and a pair of sin-bin offences led to a run-out for almost everyone, and along the way Wasps ran in 10 tries in a league match for the first time, no fewer than eight players scoring.

The referee, Robin Goodfellow, had earned criticism for his display at Saracens the previous weekend but did nothing obviously wrong here where the neutral's enjoyment was blighted by West's roll-on, roll-off use of players.

The 10-minute sin-bins given to West's forwards Russell Schrader (for a stamp in the first half) and Andrew Peacock (for an elbow in the second) were

disruptive and, added to the injury-enforced changes, meant that West's unit skill went out of the window.

Wasps relished the disparity that confronted them and showed something of the style that made them champions two seasons ago.

They showed their form in the slick interchange between Andy Gomarsall, Josh Lewsey and Joe Worsley which made the opening 12th-minute try for the wing Shane Roiser. A sign of West's unease was the late tackle by Shaun Cassidy on Roiser in the act of scoring, which allowed Kenay Logan to land a penalty from the halfway line.

The production line of Wasps' talent in the front and back rows has been well oiled for several years. All concerned played their parts yesterday, with Paul Volley, twice, Worsley and Lawrence Dallaglio crowning their efforts with tries.

In between Alex King replaced Lewsey for his first senior outing since England's summer tour and Logan continued to pepper the posts to more than cover the absence of the goalkicker, Gareth Rees.

Thirty points to the good by half-time, Wasps had their flow only briefly interrupted by Vile's converted try and a penalty try for West soon afterwards.

In the last eight minutes Roiser claimed his second try, Logan raced in from 30 metres and Nick Greenstock followed the Scot over from at least 60 metres. The points total beat Wasps' previous league best of 62 against Orrell in March 1997.

**SCORERS:** Wasps: Try: Roiser 2, Volley 2, Worsley, King, Dallaglio, Shaw, Logan, Greenstock. Conversion: Logan. Penalties: Logan 2, West: Hartlepool: Try: Vile, penalty try. Conversion: Vile 2.

**Wasps:** Upton, Roiser, Scarce (50m, 50m), Henderson, Logan, Leach (50m, 37), Gomarsall, Molloy (40m, 67), Macer, Green, Woodson (capt, 50m, 52), Reed, Dallaglio, Volley, Worsley.

**West Hartlepool:** Farrell (50m, 40), Becho, Greenstock, Jones, Vile, Nu'u'u'u (capt, 50m, 37), Sparks, Herbert (50m, 40), Bell (50m, 55), Worsley (50m, 45), Herbert, 55, Seymour (50), Schneider, Pottier, Cassidy, Brewer. Referee: R. Goodfellow (Yorkshire).

Sale 44 Harlequins 34

## Brooke's nightmare goes on as Howarth wins battle of the Kiwis

Michael Prestidge

**I**N THE battle of the All Blacks, the Sale contingent not only looked superior but certainly represented better value for money in a poor if high-scoring game.

In the technical planning it was Sale's director of rugby John Mitchell against his fellow Kiwi John Gallagher. On the field it turned into a kicking contest between Sale's Shane Howarth, once of the All Blacks but tipped for Wales, and John Schuster.

Quins' New Zealand centre landed all but a conversion to keep up an impressive record of only one miss in three league games, but Howarth not only outscored him but offered much more than the boot.

Zinzan Brooke, Quins' player-coach, looked out of sorts enough for Mitchell, no mean back-row man himself, to have fancied his chances on the field.

Mitchell said of Brooke: "I respect him enormously. We go back a long way and we have had high days and low days together." He was diplomatic enough not to suggest this was a low day for a New Zealand legend looking off the pace and out of touch.

"He is looking frustrated at the moment" was the furthest Mitchell would go about a

player reputedly earning £200,000 a year who has yet to lead his side to a league win.

On the vexed question of what is entertainment in the new era of rugby, the jury has to be out. Gallagher spoke of a team that was a game that saw seven tries and 78 points, but for others this was a disappointing feat.

Rugby is still a contact game though at times it has been hard to tell. Certainly there were question marks against the defending for six of the seven tries.

Dan Luger touched down twice in six minutes after the restart to give Quins a glimmer of hope after four first-half tries had given Sale a 13-point lead. But David Barnes was penalised for collapsing a scrum in front of Sale's posts and Howarth's boot ensured the home side came home safely with five second-half penalties.

**SCORERS:** Sale: Try: Winstanley, Vasey, Smith, Bell, George, Howarth 3, Penalties: Schuster 5. Harlequins: O'Leary (50m, 60), Taylor (50m, 60), 57m, 61m, 62m, 63m, 64m, 65m, 66m, 67m, 68m, 69m, 70m, 71m, 72m, 73m, 74m, 75m, 76m, 77m, 78m, 79m, 80m, 81m, 82m, 83m, 84m, 85m, 86m, 87m, 88m, 89m, 90m, 91m, 92m, 93m, 94m, 95m, 96m, 97m, 98m, 99m, 100m. Referee: S. Savage (Hartlepool).

European Cup, Pool D: Pontypridd 32 Colomers 27

## Jenkins counters esprit

Paul Rees

**P**ONTYPRIDD's last tango with a French side landed on the front page of the Sunday Express Cup tie at Brive a year ago - the first of three games between the clubs - was followed by an alleged brawl between the players at a bar in the French town that night.

The examining magistrate in the Corneze region has yet to complete her investigations and three of the Pontypridd players that day are still banned from the region.

Two have since left the club but the third, the No. 8 Dale McIntosh, was to the fore against Colomers.

Not one fist was thrown in anger at Sardis Road on Saturday in a thrilling game played in torrential rain.

Both sides were intent on playing a handball game and the elements for a compelling 80 minutes.

Colomers, strong up front, outscored the home side by five tries to two but did not have a goalkicker of Neil Jenkins's accuracy. The match-winner for the Lions last year landed eight kicks out of nine attempts, most from distance or wide out.

"Brive was a one-off," said Jenkins. "This is what European rugby is all about: two

good teams determined to attack. Our season is revolving around Europe because, with all respect, without Cardiff and Swansea the Welsh Premier Division is not of the highest quality. We are missing them and I envy their players the friendships against English opposition."

Jenkins was the difference between the sides, six months after his humiliation at Wembley when he was given the run-around by Thomas Castaignède as France won 51-0. Jenkins not only landed his kicks, he nursed his overwhelmed forwards, never missed an opportunity to launch his three-quarters and tackled like a flanker.

"I have got my hunger for the game back," he said. "I did not look forward to matches last season and my form was poor but I had a long summer rest."

The enterprising Colomers will play worse than on Saturday and win. As in Brive it was a game to remember, but this time for rugby reasons.

**SCORERS:** Pontypridd: Try: Jones, Shorney, Conversion: Jenkins 2. Penalties: Jenkins 6, Colomers: Try: Tabacco 3, Peysson, Marneir, Conversion: Carré.

**Pontypridd:** Watt, Shorney, James, J. Lewis, G. O'Leary, Jenkins (capt), John A. Carruth, Thomas A. Jones, G. Smith, M. G. Jones, P. Jones, G. P. Lewis, Williams, McIntosh (50m, 55), Colomers: Try: Tabacco (50m, 72), Barru (50m, 40), Stearns, Marneir, Latt, Galtie (capt, 50m, 40), Stearns, Tremoulet, Pages (50m, 40), Maro (50m, 40), Mennet, De Guili, Tabacco, Peysson. Referee: D. McHugh (Ireland).

## Cricket

## Pakistan's accused trio named in Test squad

**T**HREE players alleged to have been involved in a betting and match-fixing scam are in Pakistan's squad for the first Test with Australia which begins in Rawalpindi on Thursday.

Wasim Akram, Salim Malik and Ijaz Ahmed are included along with the fast-bowler Waqar Younis, who has not appeared in a first-class match for three months.

"Wasim, Salim and Ijaz are there because we have not been directed by the Pakistan Cricket Board to ignore them. Until we get definite instructions we will continue to consider them," said Wasim Bari, the chairman of selectors.

An investigation is under way into allegations made by Mark Waugh, Tim May and Shane Warne that Malik offered them a bribe to throw the Karachi Test during Australia's 1994 tour.

An interim report released by the PCB three weeks ago had recommended that the three should not be selected until the investigation was complete.

Australian tour officials have asked their board if Waugh, the only one of the accusers on the tour - Warne is injured, May has retired - can appear before the Pakistani judicial commission on Saturday.

Pakistan's squad of 18 will be reduced to 14 on Wednesday when the pitch has been inspected.

Australia's captain Mark Taylor failed with the bat again yesterday, making only 19, but Justin Langer strengthened his claim for a Test recall as the tourists took charge against Karachi on the third day of their four-day match.

Langer, whose last Test was 19 months ago, opened the batting yesterday, making an unbeaten 101, whereupon Taylor declared at 194 for two. Karachi, asked to chase 457 after being dismissed earlier in the day for 278, were 11 for two at stumps.

● Sachin Tendulkar made 127 not out against Zimbabwe in Bulawayo yesterday, his 18th century in one-day international and a new record, as India cruised to an eight-wicket win and went one up in the three-match series.



Racing

# Sun puts Edabiya in the shade

Chris Hawkins on the emergence of another O'Brien ace

ADAM O'BRIEN worked his unique brand of magic to win the Meon Valley Stud Fillies Mile at Ascot yesterday with Sunpangled, who had twice been beaten by the 11-10 favourite Edabiya in Ireland.

The ever-modest O'Brien claims no occult powers, however, and puts his almost supernatural success down to hard work and a deep understanding of his animals.

Consequently he was not in the least surprised by Sunpangled's reversal of form with Edabiya on recent running at The Curragh, when his filly set off in front and fought a fierce headwind for six furlongs before crying enough.

Held up this time, she swooped in the final 150 yards to collar Edabiya who surrendered second place on the line to Calando.

Sunpangled — by Carleone out of an Andross mare — is tailor-made for the Oaks for which she is 99-1 with last-brothers. But O'Brien says she will first be trained for the 1,000 Guineas, in which she also gets a 20-1 quote.

The Royal Lodge Stakes has produced Classic winners Benny The Dip and Mister Bailey in recent years, but it is doubtful if we saw anything up to that standard when Mutaabab scraped home from Glamis.

It may be harsh to crab a

colt who has won four of his six races and Mutaabab is not short of guts. Whether he has the class to go with it will be tested shortly when trainer Ed Dunlop sends him abroad for either the Grand Criterium in France or a Group One contest in Italy.

David Loder carried on where he left off on Saturday, saddling Mutaabab to win the Gardner Merchant Conditions Stakes, but despite his pleasure could not refrain from having a pop at the British Horseracing Board handi-capper Dominic Gardner-Hill over the rating of his impressive Queen Elizabeth II Stakes winner Desert Prince.

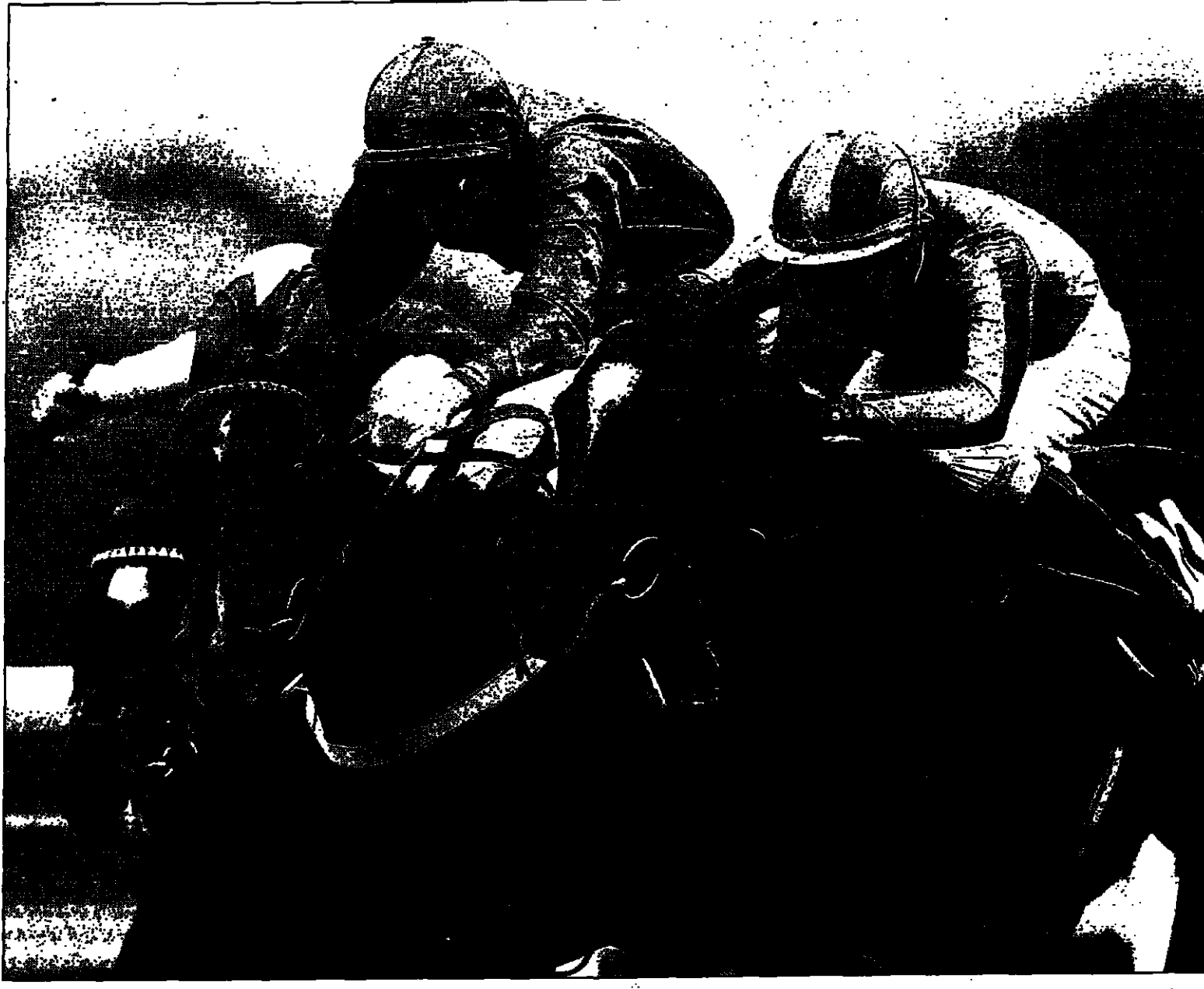
Despite three Group One wins, Desert Prince is rated 4lb behind Intikhab which Loder believes "makes no sense". The Godolphin four-year-old Intikhab has never won a Group One and it must be said that Loder seems to have a point.

Olivier Peslier, rider of Desert Prince, is in no doubt about the colt's outstanding ability and commented: "For me my Arc winner Peintre Celebre is the best I've ridden, but Desert Prince is the best miler."

"He has improved and now everyone can see how good he is. It was nice to beat Dr Fong this time."

In the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot Dr Fong had come out on top by a neck; there was not much in it again on Saturday, but Desert Prince, showing he can battle as well as run, held off his rival by half a length.

Following a scintillating win in the Prix du Moulin, Desert Prince has won two



Bright prospect... Sunpangled (right) stays on strongly to land the spoils from Edabiya at Ascot

PHOTOGRAPH: JULIAN HERBERT/ALLSPORT

Group Ones in three weeks and will now bid for a hat-trick in the prestigious Breeders' Cup Mile at Churchill Downs on November 7.

"The American race was always the big target in my mind and after Royal Ascot I put him away for an autumn campaign," said Loder. "After his first I was convinced he had improved and I think that's right. To win the Moulin and this have been bonuses as I have always fancied him for the Breeders' Cup."

"When he was a two-year-

old I thought he was the best I'd trained but he didn't quite come up to expectations. The key to him is to let him do his own thing."

Peslier, that most empathetic of riders, has just the "hands" to let a horse think he is in charge without actu-

ally being so and has formed a formidable partnership with this colt.

Having seen the light side of Peslier's touch — he never touched Desert Prince with the whip — it is ironic that just over half an hour later the "iron fist" was in evi-

# Silken victory under scrutiny

Chris Hawkins

ORD Huntingdon, the Royal trainer, has been referred to the stewards of the Jockey Club after his filly Silken Dailance won the Mail On Sunday Final Handicap at Ascot yesterday.

The Ascot stewards inquired into the improved form of the filly who had finished 17th of 19 behind Indium on her previous run at Newbury, when Huntingdon maintained she "sat down in the stalls and missed the break."

"She was drawn one on the inside and the whole field came across her and from there on she had no chance," he said. "The Newbury race was the one we wanted to win as it coincided with her owner's birthday."

Daragh O'Donoghue rode Silken Dailance at Newbury and will be required to attend the Jockey Club inquiry but apprentice Adrian Nicholls was on board yesterday.

The 17-year-old always had the filly well placed and after leading over a furlong out she ran on strongly to beat Silk St John by half a length.

Patrick Hibbert Foy, the stewards secretary at Ascot, commented: "It has been decided the case needs further investigation. This does not mean that charges are bound to be brought."

Richard Quinn will ride as freelance next season, the jockey announced yesterday. The decision ends a 17-year association with trainer Paul Cole.

## Hamilton Jackpot card with form guide

2.30	Lucky Gilano	Lucky Gilano
2.30	Rangaroo	Rangaroo
3.20	Mr Fortynine	Mr Fortynine
4.00	Red Amazon	Red Amazon
4.20	Pink Tonic	Pink Tonic
4.40	Black Kestrel	Black Kestrel
5.20	Red Elm	Red Elm

Straight 6 with near-sharp right-handed loop course of 1 mile and 5 furlongs. Stiff climb to winning post.

Going: Good to soft, soft in places. Favoured: None. Top time: 1m 28.0s.

Draw: Middle to high numbers to be favoured on this.

Sunday day winners: None.

Blindfolded first time: 5.20 Happy Days. Visited: None.

Figures in brackets after horse's name denote days since last outing. Jumps.

## 2.20 MAIDEN STAKES 2YO

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## 2.50 GROUNDSTAFF AWARD WINNERS MAIDEN STAKES 3YO

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## 3.20 49'S BILL MCHARGH MEMORIAL HANDICAP

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## Results

ASCOT	2.00 (7/1)	3.00 (11/1)	4.00 (11/1)	5.00 (11/1)	6.00 (11/1)	7.00 (11/1)	8.00 (11/1)	9.00 (11/1)	10.00 (11/1)	11.00 (11/1)	12.00 (11/1)	13.00 (11/1)	14.00 (11/1)	15.00 (11/1)	16.00 (11/1)	17.00 (11/1)	18.00 (11/1)	19.00 (11/1)	20.00 (11/1)	21.00 (11/1)	22.00 (11/1)	23.00 (11/1)	24.00 (11/1)	25.00 (11/1)	26.00 (11/1)	27.00 (11/1)	28.00 (11/1)	29.00 (11/1)	30.00 (11/1)
2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)	2.00 (7/1)

## 3.50 HAMILTON PARK 2-Y-O FINAL NURSERY HANDICAP

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## 4.20 ALFIE WESTWOOD CONDITIONS STAKES

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## 4.50 STANLEY RACING HANDICAP (DNV 1)

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## 5.20 STANLEY RACING HANDICAP (DNV 2)

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## Bath runners and riders

RON COX		TOP FORM	
2.00	Fantastic Belle (nap)	Barberwood	Highly Priced
2.50	Tonk Tailor	Bogano	
3.00	Walk For The Win	Adoration (nb)	
3.50	Admission	Rock Falcon	
4.00	Rock Falcon	Madame Max	
4.50	Mudslide		

Left-handed track of just over 1/2 mile with 41 run-in when rises all the way to the Irish. Separate enclosure for races over 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 miles.

Going: Good. Favoured: None.

Draw: Low numbers favoured in sprints. Several day winners: None. Blinded first time: None. Visited: 4.30 Honey Suckle.

Figures in brackets after horse's name denote days since last outing. Jumps.

## 2.00 EBF TORMARTON MAIDEN STAKES 2YO

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## 2.30 WEATHERBYS RACECARD HANDICAP

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## 3.00 EBF DOBBINGTON MAIDEN STAKES 2YO

1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00	23.00	24.00	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29.00	30.00
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

## Exeter National Hunt programme

2.40	3.10	4.10	5.10	6.10	7.10	8.10	9.10	10.10	11.10	12.10	13.10	14.10	15.10	16.10	17.10	18.10	19.10	20.10	21.10	22.10	23.10	24.10	25.10	26.10	27.10	28.10	29.10	30.10
2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40
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Silken victory under scrutiny

# PARTING SHOT

Barmy weather... not a raging equine gale in sight or sail as hopeful boardwalkers go out on the well-worn conditions off Clacton in the eighth round of the British Windsurfing Championships which suffered an inauspiciously becalmed weekend

Photograph by Tom Jenkins



## Time to blow the whistle on ex-players

**SCREEN BREAK**  
**Martin Kelner**

WHAT is to be done about referees? The suggestion that the current crop might mysteriously start to perform better were they to become full-time professionals was rejected by Charlie George on Sky's Soccer Extra yesterday. The Arsenal legend is in favour of rank amateurs.

Former players, George believes, should be enlisted to pour oil on the currently troubled waters of the Premiership. "And don't make them wait 10 years to qualify as a first-class referee. Pay them five or seven hundred quid a match and get them out there," he said.

No names were mentioned, but Charlie looked pretty

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available to me. He certainly took a refreshingly breezy line on Paolo Di Canio's personal solution to the referee problem. "You can't help laughing at the way the referee's gone down to a dive than Wim Jonk's. I should imagine he's been hit harder by his wife."

George and his co-panelist Paul Walsh, formerly of Tottenham, agreed that if the referee had stepped in between the players at Hillsborough and got more involved — in a way familiar to George, of course, from his playing days — the trouble would not have escalated.

In my view, though, the chief advantage of former players taking up refereeing is that it might stop them hosting chat shows. I can see the attraction sports people have for TV producers who most part they have looked down on to be fit and healthy and generally nice to look at (George, I am sure, would accept that there are exceptions). But when there is so much talk — it's a chat show, as Alan Partridge memorably observed — on TV something you need to bring something more to the party than a nice, even set of teeth and a trendy well-fitting pair of trousers.

I refer, of course, to Ally McCoist, whose new late-night chat show, McCoist and MacAuley, followed Match of the Day on Saturday night. The show has already run for a

season in Scotland, where I gather it has been quite a hit. I cannot think why, unless there is a desperate shortage north of the border of interviews with Mel and Sue of Channel Four's Light Lunch, and actor Stephen Tomkinson of Ballykissangel.

McCoist goes into hyper-mugging mode every time he says something that passes for a joke — that is, either a bad pun or a self-deprecating reference to his playing career — turning to the audience, winking and giving them the benefit of his winning grin, which has a certain charm in the hurly-burly of Question of Sport but as a stand-alone device quickly becomes irritating.

His partner, Fred MacAuley, is a comedian of a type sadly becoming all too common, likeable but bland to the point of invisibility. Though I would accept that Lennox Bruce or Bill Hicks might not be absolutely perfect material for interviewing TV's Mel and Sue, it is slightly depressing when the summit of most comedians' ambition these days is to go to Edinburgh and impress some TV suit enough to get a chat show and a bar tab at the Groucho Club. What happened to changing society?

Roy and HG's Planet Norwich on Channel Five may not be about to change society but it does prove that there is life left in the chat show, and that talent remains more important than a pretty face.

This week Roy Slaven and HG Nelson (real names John Doyle and Greig Pickhaver) welcomed Chris Eubank, who sought to demonstrate that boxing had not softened his brain, although some of us will have drawn our own conclusions from his agreement to appear with Roy and HG after the punishment he took at the hands of Mrs Merton on another recent talk show.

To show his possession of an acceptable quantity of marbles, Eubank tried to remember 10 items listed by Roy without a great deal of success, but at least he escaped in slightly better shape than he did after Mrs Merton, or indeed the Carl Thompson fight.

The great virtue of Planet Norwich is that the guest is virtually redundant. When the interviewee is some chat-show trouper such as Eubank or Richard E Grant, whom we have seen a hundred times, this works rather well. But when the guest is a new name, as in the case of Mike Tyson's return to the ring.

"He's undergoing tests at present," said HG, "to determine if he is psychologically fit to punch people's lights out." The key to Tyson's rehabilitation, he said to Eubank's obvious bewilderment, was to draw out of him the desire to eat people, by offering him sandwiches with something else in them "like a mouse or a canary".

This endearingly dotty show could be what Channel Five was invented for. Forget all the talk about disciplinary hearings and the like. Let's see Paolo Di Canio and Paul Alcock with Roy and HG next Friday.

### Weekend results

#### RUGBY UNION

EUROPEAN CUP	Points
Pool A	22
Pool B	10
Pool C	10
Pool D	10
Pool E	10
Pool F	10
Pool G	10
Pool H	10
Pool I	10
Pool J	10
Pool K	10
Pool L	10
Pool M	10
Pool N	10
Pool O	10
Pool P	10
Pool Q	10
Pool R	10
Pool S	10
Pool T	10
Pool U	10
Pool V	10
Pool W	10
Pool X	10
Pool Y	10
Pool Z	10

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

34	Castroville	17
12	Roma	30
24	Montebland	22
15	Castro	81
45	Bridgend	43
7	Brive	85
21	Gloucester	16
23	Lalcester	32
30	Saracens	58
44	Haringuine	24

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Star	4	4	0	0	154	88
Stars	3	3	0	0	135	53
Seafar	4	3	0	1	108	86
	4	3	0	1	110	76
pe	3	2	0	1	134	74
ion Irish	4	2	0	2	113	108
	4	2	0	2	129	123
castle	3	1	0	2	68	81
mond	3	1	0	2	77	90
hampton	3	1	0	2	57	75
ford	3	1	0	2	68	87
Scottish	4	1	0	3	84	140
quipes	3	0	0	3	55	116
artpool	3	0	0	3	37	151

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Greyhound	50	Stackhouse				
Midland	63	Stackhouse				
Warham	44	Rugby				
Midland	19	Exeter				2
Exeter	24	Leeds				
	P	W	D	L	F	A
Exeter	4	4	0	0	144	62
Exeter	4	4	0	0	117	55
Exeter	4	3	0	1	129	35
Exeter	4	3	0	1	88	66
Exeter	4	3	0	1	67	88
Exeter	4	2	0	2	117	77
Exeter	3	2	0	1	79	39
Exeter	3	2	0	2	80	94
Exeter	4	1	0	3	119	77
Exeter	4	2	0	3	89	69

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

de	3	0							
chests	4	0	0	4	37	158			
PERSON NATIONAL LEAGUE									
Birmingham/Sol	15	Roselyn Pk.							
Merbury	23	Newbury							
Prograta	6	Oley							
Earpoal SH	8	Reading							
Manchester	29	Morley							
Kingfield	5	Hensley							
Cardfield	26	Lydney							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	R		
Manchester	4	3	0	1	150	62			
Lydney	4	3	0	1	87	62			
Lydney Park	4	3	0	1	101	77			

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

...ading	4	2	0	2	86	87
...edbury	4	2	0	2	77	85
...arrogable	4	2	0	2	43	52
...arrogable	4	2	0	2	41	59
...er St. Hubert's	4	1	0	3	64	78
...er St. Hubert's	4	1	0	3	64	89
...er St. Hubert's	4	0	0	4	82	84
...er St. Hubert's	4	0	0	4	46	102
...er North	30				Lichfield	
...er North	29				Sedgely Pk	
...er North	14				Shelfield	
...er North	27				Kendal	
...er North	45				Whitchurch	
...er North	30				Winnington Pk	

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

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Seymour	8	5	0	1	114	8
Pontypool	5	4	0	1	169	9
Newbridge	5	4	0	2	135	9
Treorchy	8	4	0	2	148	10
Ramsay	5	4	0	1	111	9
Crook Keys	5	4	0	1	154	11
Llandoverly	6	3	1	2	154	11
Marthor	5	3	0	2	91	7
Abertillery	5	2	0	3	100	8
Bishopclee	6	2	0	3	92	8
Tondu	5	2	0	4	85	7
Tredgar	6	1	0	5	122	11
S Wales Police	6	1	1	4	99	11
SWWC	6	0	0	6	97	12
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#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Carfax	28	Swansea
Plethmond		
TENNANT'S VELVET PREMIERSHIP		
First Division		
Boroughmuir	13	Jed-Fornal
Harrick	13	Watsonians
Heriot's FP	23	Melrose
Sirling County	16	Glasgow Hawks
West of Scotland	8	Currie
Second Division		
Aberdeen GSFP	33	Kilmarnock
Bigger	20	Edinburgh AC
Gala	31	Dumfries HSFP
Kelso	18	Kirkcaldy
Leith	17	Braikirk

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

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### Weekend results

#### RUGBY UNION

EUROPEAN CUP	Points
Pool A	22
Pool B	10
Pool C	10
Pool D	10
Pool E	10
Pool F	10
Pool G	10
Pool H	10
Pool I	10
Pool J	10
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ordiffgrach	18 Hendy
ordiffnydyl	42 Swansea Univ
ordiffgalles	11 Ynysybwl
ordiffwater	28 Senghennydd
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ordiffDe Lys	23 Abararon
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#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

10 Ogmore Vale	10
0 Bangor	0
39 Ruthin	39
29 Nantyllo	29
35 Penrhydy	35
27 Pontfisantreith	27
17 Strichgrove	17
6 Cilfynydd	6
30 Barry	30
5 Welshpool	5
0 Mumbles	0
13 Pencotswold	13
25 Crumlin	25
30 Beglan	30
15 Tylorstown	15

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

21 Davids	0 Cwmwarch
21 Josephs	24 Barwen
Tafel Well	16 Maesteg Celtic
Tredregar	13 Brynmman
Trimsaran	51 Cynrych
LWNLIN	27 Crombridge
Ynyeddu	12 New Dock Stars
Wenarnwydd	29 Llansudino

**WORLD CUP QUALIFIERS: Scotland**  
offices Australia 25 Samoa 15; Fiji 32 T  
15. **Final standings** (winner to World  
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10pts; 5 Fiji; 6 New Britain 5; 7

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G: Clinch 5, Pearson 2

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G: Halifax 4  
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Leeds	23	19	0	4
Hullfax	23	18	0	5
St Helens	23	14	1	8
Bradford	23	12	0	11
Castleford	25	10	1	12
London	23	10	0	13
Sheffield	23	8	2	13

#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

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Featherstone					
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G: Chapman 3					
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#### EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

13	West Hull	18	Chapman
14	Wigan St Patrick's	8	Thornhill
15	Woolston	24	Castleford
17	First Division		
6	Barnor Island	14	Durham Hill
10	East Leeds	28	Milton
20	Leigh East	24	Cuton
23	Motgrove	20	Milford
	Rossett	13	Shildes
17	Rochdale M'fold	24	Fosterthorpe
18	Shaw Cross	0	Wigan St
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28	Second Division		
9	Dodworth	17	Eastmoor
18	Eccles	46	York Acre

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### Weekend results

#### RUGBY UNION

## The Luxembourg Grand Prix

# Hakkinen defies the odds to move into pole position

Alan Henry at Nürburgring sees the Finn triumph in the face of adversity to set up a World Championship finale at Suzuka

**M**IKKA HAKKINEN dramatically turned the tables on his World Championship rival Michael Schumacher by taking his McLaren-Mercedes to a dramatic and clear-cut victory over the Ferrari team leader in front of a capacity crowd here in the Luxembourg Grand Prix yesterday.

In one of the most assured and decisive performances of his career Hakkinen, against the odds and on the eve of his 30th birthday, delivered his seventh McLaren victory after Schumacher and the Ferrari No.2 Eddie Irvine had taken the front row of the grid.

The Finn's win takes him four points ahead of Schumacher in the drivers' championship table with only 10 more available for the winner of the final round, the Japanese Grand Prix on November 1.

**Schumacher needs to finish at least second at Suzuka. If he wins, second would give Hakkinen the title**

Schumacher needs to finish at least second at Suzuka without his rival doing better than sixth and, even if he wins, second place would give Hakkinen the title; they would then both have 96 points but the McLaren driver would triumph on the strength of three second places to Schumacher's two.

The weekend started on a very low note for Hakkinen. He spent practice and qualifying battling a handling imbalance on his McLaren, but finally got everything right in the half-hour warm-up yesterday morning.

On the opening lap Irvine seized an immediate lead from Schumacher but made a slight error negotiating the tight chicanes at the end of the opening lap, a slip which allowed the German driver to overtake neatly coming into the final corner.

Thereafter the race looked as though it was going to be little more than a routine Ferrari demonstration run, but after Hakkinen outbraked Irvine for second place on lap 14 the contest really came alive as he began to cut into Schumacher's advantage.

From 7.5sec adrift on lap 16, Hakkinen closed to 5.2sec behind by lap 24, when the German driver came in for his first refuelling stop. Hakkinen stayed out for another five laps before making his own first stop, punching in a sequence of quick laps which enabled him to return to the race ahead of Schumacher after his stop.

"In the first stint I was able to catch Michael," said Hakkinen, "but in the second stint it was hard to get away from him. Why? Well, there were a lot of backmarkers for one thing, and that made life very difficult. Also someone's engine blew up at the end of the main straight and we had to take a different line."

He said he had realised Irvine was grappling with some sort of handling problem when he was boxed in behind him in the early stages. "He lost the back end in the corners a couple of times and was banging over the kerbs," said the Finn. "He seemed to have some sort of brake or gearbox problem and the fact I couldn't overtake really annoyed me."

The look of abject disappointment on Schumacher's face reflected just how confident he had been after qualifying on pole position. "In the first stint we had quite a bit of oversteer and it was similar in the second stint," he said. "At the second stop we changed the car slightly [adjusting the front wing] but I still had some oversteer. It is simply a complete package we were not fast enough."

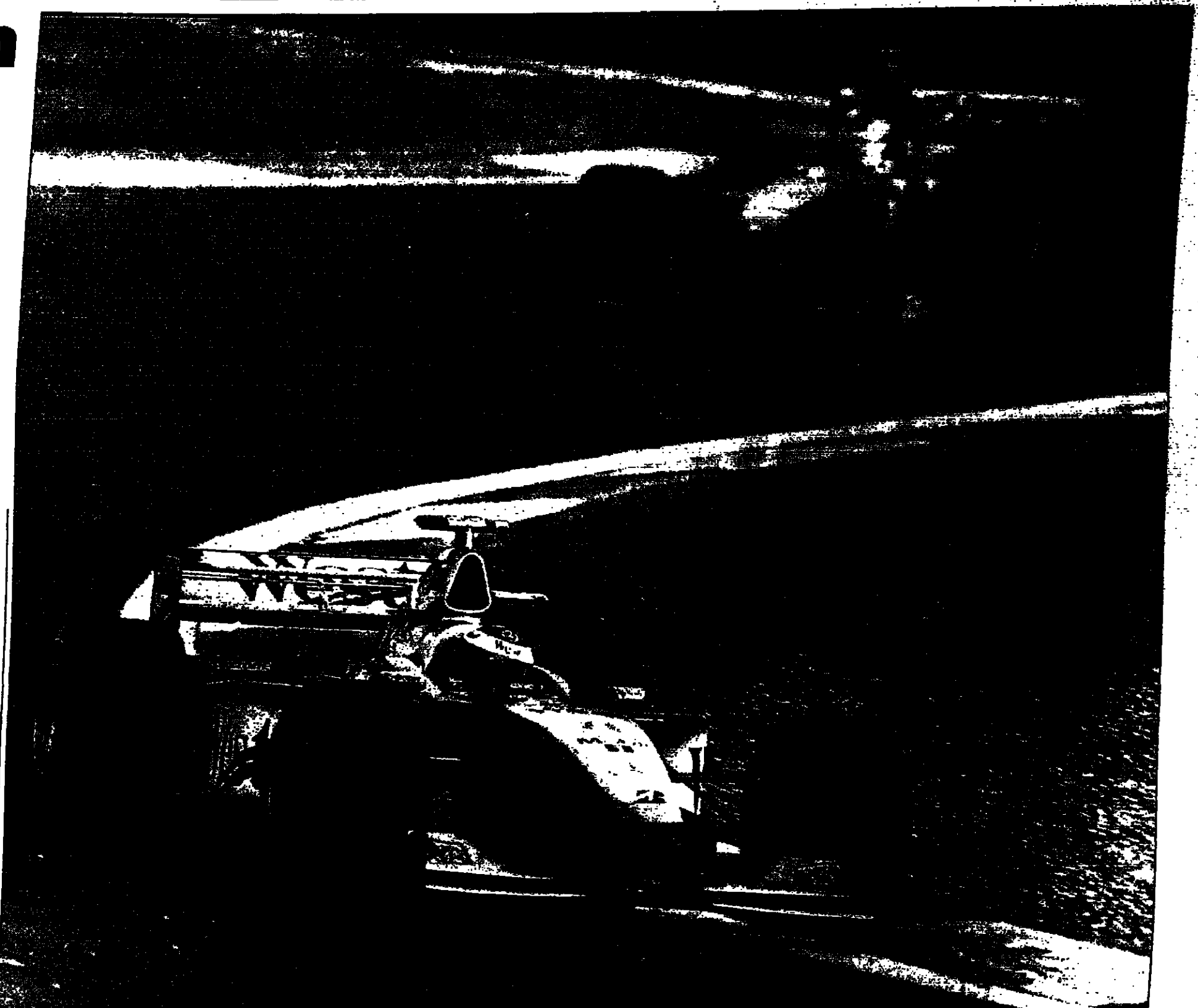
In third place Coulthard helped bring the McLaren-Mercedes team to within a point of clinching the constructors' championship but he was clearly dissatisfied with the handling balance of his car throughout.

"I think I was left behind by Mika the whole weekend," he shrugged. "I've struggled throughout. I didn't adopt the set-up which he tried in the warm-up. I struggled in the race, especially when the first set of tyres started to wear."

After qualifying on the front row of the grid for the first time in his career Irvine was highly disappointed with fourth place, his Ferrari suffering dramatically from understeer which seriously unsettled its handling.

In fifth place Heinz-Harald Frentzen helped Williams ease ahead of Benetton for third place in the constructors' championship and Ferrari.

Jordan's hopes of vaulting into third place were thwarted by Ralf Schumacher retiring with a broken brake disc while Damon Hill was another whose weekend was blighted by poor handling as he struggled home in eighth.



Title-chasing deeds... Mika Hakkinen pulls away from Michael Schumacher, his only rival for the World Championship, at the Nürburgring yesterday

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## Full results from the Nürburgring

1	Mika Hakkinen (Finn)	McLaren-Mercedes	1:14.178
2	Michael Schumacher (Ger)	Ferrari	1:14.750
3	Damon Hill (Eng)	Williams	1:15.125
4	Heinz-Harald Frentzen (Ger)	Williams	1:15.135
5	David Coulthard (Sco)	McLaren-Mercedes	1:15.145
6	Johnny Herbert (Wel)	Benetton	1:15.155

Other finishers		Drivers' championship	
7	Stefano Modena (Ital)	1	Mika Hakkinen (Finn)
8	Jonathan Wills (Eng)	2	Michael Schumacher (Ger)
9	Damon Hill (Eng)	3	Damon Hill (Eng)
10	Johnny Herbert (Wel)	4	Heinz-Harald Frentzen (Ger)
11	David Coulthard (Sco)	5	David Coulthard (Sco)
12	Stefano Modena (Ital)	6	Johnny Herbert (Wel)
13	Johnny Wills (Eng)	7	Stefano Modena (Ital)
14	Mika Salo (Fin)	8	Jonathan Wills (Eng)
15	Heinz-Harald Frentzen (Ger)	9	Damon Hill (Eng)
16	Toni Vilander (Fin)	10	Heinz-Harald Frentzen (Ger)
17	Stefano Modena (Ital)	11	David Coulthard (Sco)
18	Jonathan Wills (Eng)	12	Stefano Modena (Ital)
19	Damon Hill (Eng)	13	Johnny Herbert (Wel)
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88	Jonathan Wills (Eng)	82	Damon Hill (Eng)
89	Damon Hill (Eng)	83	Heinz-Harald Frentzen (Ger)
90	Heinz-Harald Frentzen (Ger)	84	David Coulthard (Sco)
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Fastest lap: Hakkinen 1:14.178 (average speed 203.178 km/h)

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